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THE BOMBAY GAZETTE.

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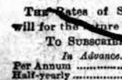
SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.



THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo every week.

The S. S. CANARA, 1,972 Tons, 200 H. P., Commander T. Sanders, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 24th August 1876, at 4 P. M.

Arr.		Sept.
Leaves BOMBAY	24	Leaves Madras 8
,, Carwar	26	,, Coconada 10
,, Naraket	30	,, Vizagapatam 11
,, Alleppy	30	,, Bimlipatam 11
,, Tuticorin	Sept. 1	Calingapatam 12
,, Colombo	2	,, Gopalpore 12
,, Galle	3	,, False Point 13
,, Negapatam	6	Arrives CALCUTTA 15

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamers on this line once or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle to the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

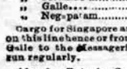
Also for Batavia, Sourabaya, Tjillatjap, Palembang, Pontianak, Aitheen, Padang and Moluccos Islands, to go forward by the Messageries Maritime and Netherlands India S. N. Companies.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF via KURRACHEE.

interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company or other Steamers.



THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every week to the Persian Gulf touching at KURRACHEE, GUADER, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSREH, and occasionally at BAHREIN, and MAHOMERAH.

The S. S. PACHUMBA, 980 Tons, 130 H. P., Commander T. H. Franks, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 30th August 1876, at 4 P. M.

Aug.		Sept.
Leaves BOMBAY	30	Leaves BUSSORAH 20
,, Kurrachee	Sept. 3	,, Mahomerah 20
,, Gwader	5	,, Fao 20
,, Jask	7	,, Bushire 22
,, Bunder Abbas	10	,, Bahrein 25
,, Linga	10	,, Linga 27
,, Bushire	12	,, Bunder Abbas .. 29
,, Fao	14	,, Muscat ..... Oct. 4
,, Mahomerah	14	,, Kurrachee 6
Arrives BUSSORAH	Sept. 15	Arrives BOMBAY Oct. 9

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will, during the S. W. Monsoon, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every WEDNESDAY, at 4 P.M., and an Extra Steamer on every SATURDAY, at 2 P. M.

The S. S. VINGORLA, 577 Tons, 130 H. P., Commander N. R. Sayers, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 26th August 1876, at 2 P. M.

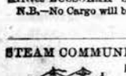
The S. S. PACHUMBA, 867 Tons, 130 H. P., Commander T. H. Franks, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 30th August 1876, at 4 P.M.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co. Agents.

EXTRA STEAMER TO ITALY,

VIA SUEZ CANAL.



IN addition to the regular Steamers, Messrs. R RUBATTINO & Co. will despatch from Bombay their well-known and fast Steamer ASSIRIA on the 15th October next, for SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, and MARSEILLES.

This Vessel has large and comfortable accommodation for 1st and 2nd Class passengers.

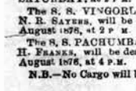
For passages apply to

C. GRONDONA, Agent.

No. 9, Hummum Street.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY

VIA SUEZ CANAL.



ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA, and BOMBAY on the 1st on the 24th, *of each month.*

PASSENGERS' RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
Aden	£22	£15	£4	Without food.
Suez	32	20	6	
Port Said	38	24	9	
Messina	50	34	14	
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles	52	35	14 10	

Children under 2 years—free of charge. Children not above 10 years—half fare.

Including Provisions.

NEXT STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY :—

AUSTRALIA to sail on FRIDAY, 1st September 1876.

SUMATRA to sail on SUNDAY, 1st October 1876.

ASSIRIA to sail on FRIDAY, 15th October 1876.

BATAVIA to sail on WEDNESDAY, 1st November 1876.

AUSTRALIA to sail on FRIDAY, 1st December 1876.

SUMATRA to sail on MONDAY, 1st January 18 77.

All Steamers of this Company have large First and Second class accommodation; and always carry a Doctor and a Stewardess on board.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For hand-books of information, rates of freight, &c. apply to

C. GRONDONA,

Agent Rubattino Steam Navigation Company,

No. 9, Hummum Street,

Bombay July 1876.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL,

(VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.)

THE MAGNIFICENT STEAMER

"GLAMORGAN,"

1,511 TONS REGISTER, 400 HORSE POWER.

TO SAIL ABOUT THE 6th SEPTEMBER.

THIS Splendid Steamer is provided with every comfort and convenience for Passengers and has accommodation for upwards of sixty in the Saloon.

For Passage Money, Freight, &c., apply to

REMINGTON & Co.,

Agents s. s. Glamorgan.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per S. S. TRINACRIA, ARRIVED from LIVERPOOL and GLASGOW, are REQUESTED to SEND their BILLS of LADING and DELIVERY ORDERS for our inspection and countersignature and to TAKE DELIVERY of their respective GOODS.

No CLAIMS for Damage or Short Delivery will be admitted under any circumstances unless passed by the Captain before departure of the Vessel.

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 21st August 1876.

FOR SALE,

INDIA TO ENGLAND BY THE LEVANT AND THE DANUBE.

Reprinted from the *Bombay Gazette*.

Price—ONE RUPEE.

May be had at the *Bombay Gazette* Office, and from Messrs. Thacker, Vining, & Co.

SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THE following or other first-class Vessels will be despatched for EUROPE :—

Vessels.	Captains.	Tons.	H.P.	Aug. 1876.	
MIRZAPORE	A. Parish R. N. R.	3763	600	26th—Southampton,	Sept.
PERA	G. Hyde R. N. R.	2119	450	1st—Suez, &c.	
CATHAY	R. T. Dundas	2922	450	7th—Southampton.	
SUMATRA	J. C. Almond R. N. R.	2488	450	15th—Suez, &c.	
KHEDIVE	J. D. Steward	3742	600	22nd—Southampton.	

Passengers are booked to Malta, Gibraltar and Southampton by every Mail. The Southampton Steamers proceed to that port direct; but by the alternate Steamers Passengers change Vessels at Suez.

Passengers to Brindisi, Ancona, and Venice are carried by every Steamer, but proceed by rail from Suez to Alexandria.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon, on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M. precisely, on the day of sailing.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 7th August 1876.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On MONDAY, the 4th Sept 1876, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S.S. DECCAN, Captain J. D. Gray, (3,429 Tons and 550 H.P.), will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails and taking also passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's Office before noon, on FRIDAY, the 1st September 1876.

GEORGE F. HENRY,

Bombay, 21st August 1876. Superintendent.

ANCHOR LINE—INDIAN SERVICE.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, via SUEZ CANAL.

THE following or other First Class Steamers of the ANCHOR LINE will sail from GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL to PORT SAID, SUEZ, and BOMBAY, and from BOMBAY to SUEZ, PORT SAID, GIBRALTAR, and LIVERPOOL :—

	Tons	H.P.	From Glasgow.	From Liverpool.	From Bombay.
TRINACRIA	2107	424	.....	22nd July.	6th Sept.
EUROPA	2274	400	.....	29th Aug.	23rd Sept.
INDIA	2289	500	.....	9th Sept.	21st Oct.
MACEDONIA	2292	846	.....	7th Oct.	18th Nov.
TRINACRIA	2107	424	.....	21st Oct.	6th Dec.

And regularly thereafter, further sailings being arranged according to the requirements of the trade.

All the Steamers of this Line carry a SURGEON and a STEWARDESS, and have superior First-class accommodation fitted with every convenience.

Passengers and Cargo booked through to New York in connection with the Anchor Line Trans-Atlantic Service.

FARES FROM BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL.

FIRST CLASS ..... Rs. 500

A reduction of 15 per cent. will be given on Return Passages all who re-embark by Anchor Line Steamers within twelve months of time of landing.

For Passage, Freight, &c., apply to

W. A. GRAHAM & Co., Agents

Bombay, 24th July 1876.

HALL LINE OF STEAMERS.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL.

(VIA SUEZ CANAL.)

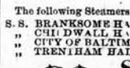
The following Steamers will sail from Bombay as under :—

S. S. BRANKSOME HALL to sail on 19th August,

,, CHIDDWALL HALL ,, 30th September.

,, CITY OF BALTIMORE ,, 11th October.

,, TRENTHAM HALL to follow.



SPECIAL ATTENTION of INTENDING PASSENGERS is particularly called to these fine and very fast steamers, which have been built specially for the Indian Trade. The average time occupied on the passage is 25 days.

For Rates of Passage Money and for any further particulars apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,

Bombay.

ANCHOR LINE.

LIVERPOOL *VIA* NAPLES.

THE S. S. TRINACRIA, Captain Hutchison, sailing on the 9th September, will call at NAPLES. For passage, &c. apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co

SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, the 24th instant, Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will hold their Usual Weekly Auction Sale at their rooms, a quantity of grey and colored piece goods, twist, &c., &c.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 24th August 1876.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON AND Co, AUCTION SALE of Stock-in-Trade of the printing and publishing establishment known by the name of *Indian Statesman* at Sassoon's Building.

On THURSDAY, the 31st day of August 1876, at 1 P.M., Messrs. MEHRJEE JOHNSTON and Co. will sell by Public Auction at the above place, by order of the Official Assignee and *In Re* Mr. S. L. Blanchard, an insolvent, the whole of his stock-in-trade of printing and publishing establishment, consisting of printing presses, types, type cases, compositors tables, office furniture, fireproof treasury safe by John Lord and Co., Standard Reference books, &c., &c., &c.

For sale on Commission—1 first rate solid Mahogany Semi Grand Piano by Messrs. John Broadwood & Sons with double cover.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.

Bombay, 24th August 1876.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY

2, MARINE STREET, BOMBAY.

USUAL AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY next, the 28th instant, at 2 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms :—

On account and at the risk of Khurumsey Narronjee—

P 250-253-256/58—5 cases Dyed Bookmuslin.

On account and at the risk of Mehta Balmookhun Purahotum—

B 1746/48—3 cases White Lappets.

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AUCTION SALE of the valuable stock in trade of the late Hasu um Munjee, consisting of best plated 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 light hanging argand lustres, 5, 6, 8, 8, and 12 light chandeliers, wall sconces, room lamps, carriage, wall and table lamps, rich cut glassware of various patterns, best electro-plated goods; handsome porcelainware of various patterns, cutlery, flower vases, table ornaments, &c., on the top floor of Nos. 2 and 3, Marine Street Fort.

Under instructions from Messrs. Dwarkanath Juggonnath and Peroo Mehrwal, the Trustees of the late Hasanu Munjee, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will, on TUESDAY the 5th WEDNESDAY the 6th, THURSDAY the 7th, and FRIDAY the 8th days of September next, sell by Public Auction at 11 A.M. each day, without reserve on the top floor of their rooms, in Marine Street, Fort, the whole of the extensive stock in trade of the said deceased, of which full particulars will be duly given.

Catalogues will be printed and the goods will be on view 8 days before the day of sale.

CRAWFORD & Co.

Bombay, 24th August 1876.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & COMPANY,

No. 8, MEADOW STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF BLACKWOOD SHOP FURNITURE, &c.

On SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at 2 o'clock P.M., Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Meadow Street, No. 26, opposite to the Oriental Bank, all the shop furniture, &c., consisting of blackwood glass door cup-board, show case, counters, circular dressing and wash hand tables, arm chairs, Chubb's safe, eight lights hanging argand lamp, looking glass, American clock, flower-vases, table ornament, &c., etc.

AUCTION SALE of Handsome Carved Household Furniture, Rosewood, Pianoforte, Glassware, Dinner, Breakfast, Dessert and Tea Services, Plate ware, a large and choice collection of Plants in Tubs, and Pots, &c., at the "Parsonage," Bishop's House (behind Sailor Aswick) Mazgon.

On MONDAY, next, the 28th instant, at 11 o'clock P.M., Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the above named place, all the handsome carved furniture, glassware, &c., the property of Revd W. Maule and others proceeded to Europe the same comprises glassware, dinner, dessert, breakfast and tea services, plated hot water and vegetable dishes, cruet, egg and pickle frames, butter pots, a mahogany box of dessert knives and forks, ice pitcher, biscuit boxes, a set of plated fiddle pattern spoons and forks, glass covers, table and chamber candlesticks, tea tray, a set of French polished teakwood dining table in 5 pieces by "Descharnp and Co." sideboard, dumb waiter, dining room chairs a medium size slate billiard table with balls, cues, &c., four and three lights hanging argand lamps, kerosine lamps, six light bronze chandeliers, reading lamps, drawing room chairs, sofas and cheopatra couches, chairs, ottomans, whatnots, pier tables, cheffoniers, a davenport, writing table, a mahogany square pianoforte by McCombie and Wright, folding and pedieu chairs, English carpet, iron painted cots, child's cot, hanging and cloth's presses, dressing and wash-hand tables with crockery, toilet and cheval glasses, chests of drawers, towel horses, bath tubs, hornet and iron hat stands, round clock writing table with drawers, book shelves, copper cooking utensils and dispensing articles, large coir, China mattings, few lots of books, choice plants in tubs and pots, etc., etc.

AT 6 A.M.

A large number of choice plants, and ferns in tubs and pots, etc., to be sold in convenient lots of 12 each to suit the purchasers, garden tools, two large iron water tanks, roller, etc.

AT 2 P.M.

One light English built Clarence with glass-shutters by W. Rogers and Co., Bristol.

One English built double-seated Brougham, by W. King and Co. of Longacre.

Double and single harness, saddle, etc.

Catalogues are published, and the property is now on view.

AUCTION SALE of Neat Household Furniture, Brougham, Bay Mare, &c., at Mount Pleasant Road, Malabar Hill (opposite Dinshaw Manockjee Petit, Esq.)

On SATURDAY, the 9th day of September next, Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the above-mentioned place, at 1 P.M., all the neat household furniture, &c., the property of H. E. Jacomb, Esq. (leaving Bombay.)

At 2 P.M. (if not previously disposed of) one English built double seat-d brougham with a serviceable Australian Bay Mare, and a set of harness. A large bird cage filled with fountain, &c.

The property will be on view for two days before the day of sale.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co.

Bombay, 24th August 1876.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOW READY.

GOLD FOR INDIA :

OR

REMARKS UPON THE DEPRECIATION OF THE RUPEE, ITS CAUSES, EFFECTS AND REMEDY.

BY

LEWIS G. HYNES, OF H. M.'s MINT.

PRICE ONE RUPEE.

May be had at the "BOMBAY GAZETTE" Office.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per S. S. GLAMORGAN, arrived from LIVERPOOL, are REQUESTED to send their BILLS of LADING and DELIVERY ORDERS for our Inspection and countersignature and to TAKE DELIVERY of their respective GOODS.

No CLAIMS for DAMAGE or SHORT DELIVERY will be admitted under any circumstances unless passed by the Captain before departure of the Steamer.

REMINGTON & Co.,

Agents s.s. Glamorgan.

Bombay, 23rd August 1876.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per S. S. CELLA, Captain Holmes, arrived from LIVERPOOL, are REQUESTED to SEND their BILLS of LADING, accompanied by DELIVERY ORDERS, for our Inspection and countersignature and to TAKE DELIVERY AT ONCE of their respective GOODS.

No CLAIM of any kind will be paid after the departure of the steamer unless it be previously passed by the Captain.

EWART, LATHAM & Co.,

Agents s.s. Cella.

Bombay, 23rd August 1876.

TENDERS are INVITED for the PURCHASE of the BUILDING in ELPHINSTONE CIRCLE, at present occupied by Messrs. Benn, Ashley and Co. and Reuter's Telegram Company, Limited, and formerly in the occupation of the London, Asiatic and American Company, Limited. Particulars may be obtained on application to the Undersigned.

CRAIGIE, LYNCH & OWEN.

THE POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL, £500,000, with power to increase.

HEAD OFFICE, 34, CANNON STREET, LONDON.

A UNIFORM RATE OF PREMIUM FOR THE WHOLE WORLD, AND FOR ALL PROFESSIONS OR EMPLOYMENTS.

NO ENTIRE FORFEITURE OF POLICIES, AND LAPSED POLICIES REVIVED WITHOUT FINE,

SURRENDER VALUE OF POLICIES, (BEING 40 PER CENT. OF PREMIUMS PAID)

FIXED AT TIME OF EFFECTING THE ASSURANCE.

POSITIVE NOTES OR PAID-UP POLICIES ISSUED ON EACH PAYMENT OF PREMIUM BEING MADE.

ALL NET PREMIUMS INVESTED IN GOVERNMENT PAPER AT COMPOUND INTEREST, AND LODGED WITH OFFICIAL TRUSTEE TO MEET CLAIMS.

As an outer fortification to the system, £20 out of every £100, paid as Capital, is invested in Consols in trust, and forms a Guarantee Fund which can be made available (at any of the Company's Branches) at any time when a sudden mortality affects the ordinary Life Funds of the Company.

ASSURANCES EFFECTED IN FIVE DIFFERENT FORMS.

WHOLE LIFE POLICIES With payment of Premiums ceasing, at the option of the Assured, AFTER 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, OR 30 YEARS.

WHOLE LIFE POLICIES With Premiums payable during continuance of Life.

POLICIES FOR JOINT LIVES, Payable at decease of the First which shall fall of Two Lives.

POLICIES FOR SHORT TERMS. Of from 1 to 10 years.

ENDOWMENT POLICIES, Payable at 50, 55, 60, or 65 years of age, or earlier in the event of death.

OPINIONS OF THE LONDON PRESS.

The *Times* :—"Contrasting this Plan of Life Insurance with that heretofore in operation, it will be found that Insurers enjoy *privileges of a most valuable character; and the public will do well to look into the principles of the new system now in operation, which offers perfect security and also protects their rights and interests.*"

The *Post Magazine* :—"We have from time to time expressed our approval of the principles upon which the *Positive* Company has been founded, and that the public has coincided in that approval the report very clearly indicates.

"Life Assurance is a very profitable business, and an office which furnishes the best known security, and at the same time give the best terms, will ultimately command the largest business. The *Positive*, therefore, whilst foregoing the dishonest profits arising from forfeitures, expects to receive the certain reward of fair dealing—numerous and extensive transactions."

The *Globe* :—"At all events, under the plan of the 'Positive Company,' the assured need feel no apprehension for the security of the principal sum they have provided for their families, or for the loss of the Premiums already paid if they are unable to continue their payments."

EXPLANATION OF THE POSITIVE PLAN.

POSITIVE LIFE ASSURANCE is an entirely new system which confers several highly important advantages on the Assured, never before presented to the public.

The word "Positive" is employed, because it definitely expresses the object now accomplished, namely, that of giving the Assured a "positive" negotiable property, resting on Government security, for every premium paid.

According to general custom every premium paid on a life-policy is a "payment" to the office. In most cases it is non-returnable, except the Assured should die whilst the policy is in force.

This defect in Life Assurance is remedied by the Positive system, under which 40 per cent. of every premium paid is a "deposit" belonging to the Assured, in the same way as a deposit in a bank, withdrawable at the option of the depositor. Such deposit is represented by NEGATIVE NOTES, free from all conditions, entitling "the bearer" to the sum assured at death, or to withdraw the deposit three day after presentation. This simple arrangement entirely changes the position of the Assured with the office; because he never loses control over his money; full value for which he must receive in some way or other. For although he can only withdraw 40 per cent. of his premium payments, he gets full value for the other 60 per cent. by being assured.

Placing the power of withdrawing 40 per cent. of all premiums paid in the hands of the Assured, enables them to test the solvency of the Company at any time, in the same manner that depositors in a doubtful bank usually resort to, namely, by taking out their cash; whereas, in ordinary Life Assurance Companies, the Assured possesses no such power, hence the dissatisfaction with Life Assurance and the slow progress it makes with the public.

Under the Positive system, this power of redeeming it assurance engagements is always possessed, resulting from having the whole of the net premiums in Government Securities, besides a nominal fifth of the paid-up Capital in special trust, for the sole purpose of providing for them, and for no other purpose.

The Trust is regulated by a deed, under power contained in the Company's Memorandum of Association, and the Trust funds cannot be made liable, except for assurance engagements, under any circumstances whatever.

Under all contingencies, the Assured in "The Positive" exercises in no respect any control over the office—he can at any time retire from it without loss—his position is defined at the time he pays his first premium—and nothing can occur to deprive him of any benefit he purchases.

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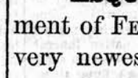

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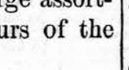

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SEALED TENDERS will be received by H. M.'s Resident Transport Officer, Bombay Dockyard, up to 1 o'clock P. M., on MONDAY, the 28th instant, for the SUPPLY for one year at this Port, by Contract, of the ARTICLES for USE in the OFFICERS' GENERAL MESS OF H. M.'S INDIAN TROOP SHIPS, specified in a Schedule, which can be seen at the Transport Office.

The quantities stated in the Schedule show the *estimated* consumption for one Trooping Season on board the five Indian Troop Ships.

Tenders will not be received after the hour named, and will be subject to decision on or before the 30th September 1876.

Each Tender before being opened must be accompanied by the requisite deposit of cash.

Tenders to be superscribed "Tenders for the Supply of Articles for use in the General Mess of H. M.'s Indian Troop Ships."

G. T. ROBINSON,

Resident Transport Officer.

H. M.'s Dockyard, Bombay, Transport Office, 10th Aug. 1876.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, 23RD AUGUST 1876.

Owing to the Hindoo holidays the various markets have been partially closed to-day, and there has been next to nothing doing in any branch of business, nor are the home telegrams of a character to create any special activity.

The Manchester Piece Goods Market yesterday was dull but unchanged as regards prices, and Cotton in Liverpool showed pretty much the same tone. The sales only reached 8,000 bales and with the exception of a decline of 1/16d. per lb. in Mid. Orleans, G. F. Westerns and G. F. Tinnivelly quotations were unaltered.

From New York, Monday's telegrams quote ready Mid. Uplands still at 12⅞ cents, but November shipment has receded from 11¼ to 11⅛ cents per lb.

The London General Produce Markets do not appear to have undergone any movement either way. Consols have declined from 96⅛ to 96¼; French Rentes are still quoted at 106½.

A payment of £103,000 has gone into the Bank of England which, although comparatively insignificant in amount, is of importance as showing that the withdrawal advised on Thursday last was only an insolated instance.

Bar Silver in London is still quoted at 51⅞d. per oz. by Reuter, but private messages give 52d. as the rate. China Exchange is also said to be higher, but STERLING EXCHANGE notwithstanding has not altered in any way. The Banks are not particularly anxious buyers, but at the same time there are no sellers of private paper to any extent, both sides being apparently indifferent operators pending news of Council drafts. We quote :—

Bank Bills on demand		...1s. 7 13/16d.	per Rupee.
Do.	6 months' sight	...1s. 8 1/16d.	,,
Credits	3 ,, ,,	...1s. 8 3/16d.	,,
Documents	3 ,, ,,	...1s. 8 3/16d.	,,

On Calcutta the demand rate has receded to par, but 60 days' sight is still quoted at ¼ per cent discount.

GOVERNMENT PAPER is dull at previous prices, say :—Fours, Rs. 101¼; Fours-and-a-half, Rs. 102¼; Fives-and-a-half, Rs. 104¾.

The SHARE MARKET is closed for the holidays and for the same reason there has been nothing done to-day in either COTTON or PIECE GOODS.

FREIGHTS are very dull. There is no sailing ship now on the berth for Liverpool and by steamer rates are all but nominal. Engagements were made yesterday by the Trimaria at £1-12 6 for Wheat.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE S. S. EUPHRATES, 500 tons Captain Shiell, will sail to-day for Persian Gulf via Kurrachee with a general cargo and five deck passengers.

THE S.S. CELLA, 1 666 tons, Captain W. Holmes, arrived in harbour on the 22nd instant from Liverpool (July 23rd), calling at Port Said and Suez, via the Suez Canal, with the following cargo :—214 packages, cotton, 8 packages paint, 17 packages wire rope, 3 packages cans, 5 casks blacking, 1 case dyes, 1 case acid, 102 packages glassware, 1 case woollen, 12 packages leather, 11 packages varnish, 28 bales paper, 2 bales paper hanging, 10 packages roll sulphur, 6 packages rope, 2 cases plants, 227 tons coke, 238 tons coals, 1,169 earthen drain pipes, 1 case soap, 3 packages corks, 25 packages buckets, 11 cases thread, 2 cases cotton wicks. 32 packages earth enware, 4 cases twine and many other packages hardware, merchandise and machinery. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Ewart, Latham & Co

SHIP GREAT VICTORIA, 2,278 tons, from North Shields, May 27th, commander John Carey reports as follows :—

Friday, June 2, signalled off St. Catherine Point Monday, June 5, passed St. Annis Light. Monday June 19, signalized to British King from Shields to San Francisco, lat. 14° 11'N, long. 26 00 W. Wednesday, June 21st, British King on our lee quarter, also Early Morn ship of Dundee from London towards Calcutta, N. lat. 9° 58', long. 26-00 W. Thursday, June 22, signalized barque Silver Craig, N. lat. 7° 36', long. 25-53° E. Friday, June 23, signalized a Dutch ship lat. (no obs.) long. (no obs.) Sunday, June 25, signalized British ship Nimrod from Liverpool towards Calcutta, N. lat. 6°, long. 22° 25'. W. Wednesday, July 5, signalized to the ship Lady Belhaven from Liverpool to Calcutta, N. lat. 2° 29' S., long. 28° 22' W. Sunday, July 9, signalized to barque Don Guillermo, from Valparaiso to Cork, lat. 21° 46' N. long. 29° 57' W. Friday, July 14, signalized ship Eaton Hall from Liverpool to Calcutta, 48 days out, lat. 29° 14' N., long. 22° 50' W. Wednesday, June 28, crossed the Line, long. 24° 16' West. Pass mere Cape of Good Hope, Monday, July 24, lat. 39° 19' South, Island of Desolation. Tuesday, August 8 Crossed the Line, Monday, August 14, 59° 8' East. Arrived at Bombay, Wednesday 23, 87 days from Port or 77 days from Pilot to Pilot.

ARRIVALS.

Aug.	Vessels.	Commanders.	From.
22	Cella (s).....	Holmes	Liverpool, July 23.
23	Great Victoria	Casey	North Shields, May 27.

DEPARTURES.

Aug.	Vessels.	Commanders	Destinations.
23	Annot Lyle	Yeo.....	Liverpool.
	Pathe Isolam.....	Nacoda	Mozambique.
	Euphrates (s).....	Shiell	P. Gulf via Kurrachee.

Steamer Euphrates, Shiell, for P. Gulf via Kurrachee, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVAL.

Aug.			
18	Africa (s)	Hutcheson	...Bombay, July 27.
19	Paraguay (s)	Williams	.....Singapore, Aug 10.

DEPARTURES.

Aug.			
18	Penguin (s).....	.....	.....
	Arratoon Apcar (s)..	.....	.....
19	Busheer (s)	.....	.....
	Bashdar (s)	.....	.....
	White Star	.....	.....

DAILY EXPORTS.—AUGUST 23.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Trinacria s—201¼ cwts coir yarn, McCulloch, Beyts and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Mirzapore s—45 bales coir yarn, 8 cases wax, 111 bags pepper, 1 case tea and 6 cases chemicals, P and O Co; 540 cwts horsebones, Ewart, Latham and Co; 26 bales skins, P M C M Saheb and Co; 12 bales hides and skins, Hajee Hasson Ooseb; 150 cwts horns, Pawoodhoy Hursoon; 48 pieces ivory, Muneshanker Hurrishanker; 140 cwts horns, Nassahoy Allarakhia.

FOR HONGKONG.

Deccan s—10 bales twist, David Sassoon and Co.

FOR GLASGOW.

Trimaria s—25 tons old iron, W and A Graham and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

Benowa s—150 cwts linseed, Volkart Brothers.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Australia s—2263 cwts teel seed and 210 cwts linseed, Finlay, Scott and Co.

Arago s—4,800 cwts wheat, Finlay, Scott and Co; 957 cwts wheat, Ewart, Latham and Co; 200 cwts B horns, C N Gomes and Co.

HIGH COURT.—24TH AUGUST.

(Before the Honorable SIR CHARLES SARGENT.)

LONG CAUSES.

315-76—Tyabjee and Sayani—Hajee Mahomed Ali bin Hajee K vs Fatima Soolian Begum—Craigie, Lyon and Owen.

227 76—Janardhun and Ghandibhoy Dinshaw Framjee Wadia vs Harishanker Bhaskerjee—In person.

390-76—In person—Mahomed Khan Mozar Ally vs Abdool Satar Hajee Mahomed.

643-75—Shamrao Pandoorung—Rao Bahadoor Madon S vs Mungesh Pushoonath—P Kavasjee.

410-75—Mactarlane and P—Moorarjee Tojun and others vs Sodha Valhoont Appa—Lynch and Tobin.

632-75—Prescot and Winter—Hajee Oomer Jan Mahomed vs Alfred Charles Cook—In person.—Settled.

61-76—Craigie, Lyn and Owen—Framjee Cowasjee Manockjee Patil vs Hajee Currim Mahomed—In person.

82-76—Tyabjee and Sayani—Gooculdass Jugmohundass vs Ladcorebai, widow.

(Before the Honourable MR. JUSTICE BAYLEY.)

LONG CAUSES.

89-76—Lynch and Tobin—Shewlingapa Busarapa vs Framjee Madhowjee and others—Remington, Hore and Langley.

105-76—Tyabjee and Sayani—S Tyabjee and others vs Munchershaw Dadabhoy—Prescot and Winter.

(Before the Honourable MR. JUSTICE GREEN and two Assessors MR. OMISTON and MR. A. W. FORDS.)

Mr Hearn—In the matter of the Land Acquisition Act X of 1870, and in the matter of Government and Moolchund Ruttonsey and another—Bicknell for Claimant.

(Before the Honourable MR. JUSTICE PINHEY.)

LONG CAUSES.

870-75—A Framjee—Ramnath Chintobs vs Veera Ooka—Tyabjee and Sayani.—Part heard.

871-75—Fletcher—Somerabai, widow vs Veera Ooka—Tyabjee and Sayani.

150-76—Remington, Hore and Lansley—Arut Kirpali vs Dayal Dhunjee—Janar hun and Ghanshibhoy.

276-76—Remington, Hore and Langley—Samoodeen Sooltanally vs Rahi bhoy Allabhoy—Crawford and Boery.

82-76—Remington, Hore and Langley—Daya Sunda and others vs Sarabai, widow, and others

98-76—Muljee and Bomanjee—Burjorjee Dorabjee and another vs George W Terry—Mr Reard.

208-76—Tyabjee and Sayani—Gungaram Hanmantr m vs adastew Sukharam and others—Jefferson and Payne and Prescot and Winter.

190-76—Remington, Hore and Langley—Elias Britto Priores vs Robert Brown and another—Janardhun and Co and Mr. Shipsey.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.

BOMBAY, 22nd August 1876.

Means of observations taken at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected	29·740
Temperature of the Air	81 1
Wet Bulb Thermometer	77 2
Dew Point	75·7
Relative humidity of Air	83
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded=8).	7 6
Maximum temperature of air (read at 6 p.m.)	84 0
Minimum do. do. read at 9-30 a.m.)	78 4
General Direction of wind	W, WSW, W, WSW, W, WSW.
Movement of wind in 24 hours	380
Fall of Rain	0·01 inches.
Total fall during the month	1·48 ,,
,, ,, ,, year	38·15 ,,
Additional fall of rain up to 10 a.m. of the 23rd.	0 01 ,,

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

DEPARTURE.—AUGUST 22.

Moffull, Lt Col, 2-15th Regt, on leave, to Poona.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ORDERS.

(*Gazette of India*, Aug. 19.)

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Maj C W Street, Depy Comr of the 2nd grade and Offg Secy to the Chief Comr of British Burma, to be Depy Comr of the 1st grade (seconded), with effect from the 24th June last, vice Maj M B S Lloyd, deceased :—

Lt Col A R McMahon, Depy Comr of the 2nd grade, to officiate as Depy Comr of the 1st grade, vice Maj Street, seconded.

Maj W C Plant, Depy Comr of the 3rd grade, to be Depy Comr of the 2nd grade, vice Maj Street.

Mr J K Macrae, Town Mag of the 1st grade, to be Depy Comr of the 3rd grade, vice Maj Plant.

Capt M Furlong, Town Mag of the 2nd grade, to be Town Mag of the 1st grade, vice Mr Macrae.

Mr C J A Duke, Asst Comr of the 2nd grade, to be Town Mag of the 2nd grade, vice Capt Furlough.

L J Butler, Asst Comr of the 3rd grade, to be Asst Comr of the 2nd grade, vice Mr Duke.

Capt G Alexander, Asst Comr of the 4th grade, to be Asst Comr of the 3rd grade, vice Lt Butler.

Mr Lewis Gordon, Supernumerary Asst Comr, to be Asst Comr of the 4th grade, vice Capt Alexander.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, AGRICULTURE AND COMMERCE.

With the consent of the Govt of the N W Provinces, Mr C W Palmer, Sub-Asst Conservator of Forests in those Provinces, is transferred to British B rma.

Mr Palmer reported his arrival at Rangoon on the forenoon of the 26th May last.

CUSTOMS AND SALT.

Mr W S Hasley, Inspr Genl of Registration and Commissioner of Excise and Stamps, N W Provinces, is appointed to officiate as Comr of Inland Customs during the absence of Mr G H M Bell, on privilege leave, or until further orders

Mr Batten and Mr Halsey respectively made over and received charge of the office of Comr of Inland Customs on the afternoon of the 26th ultimo.

POLITICAL.

With reference to Notification No 1419P, dated 13th June 1876, the recognition by the Govt of India of the appointment of Mr James Woodtli as Actg Consul for Germany at Aden, during the absence of Mr W Ganslandt, has been confirmed by H M's Govt.

GENERAL.

The following Station Orders, Nos 71 and 72, dated 29th June 1876, issued by Col H L Campbell, Comdg at Deolee, are confirmed :—

Surgn-Maj F W A DeFabeck, Deolee Irregular Force, is temporarily detached with effect from the 19th June to the 5th July 1876, on special duty.

During the absence of Surgn-Maj DeFabeck, Surgn-Maj R Mantell, 9th Bl Cavy, to take over medical charge of the Deolee Irregular Force.

Mr A C Lyall, C S, Offg Agent to the Govr Genl for Rajpootana, is permitted to proceed to England on duty for six months with effect from the date on which he may relinquish charge of his office as Offg Agent to the Govr Genl.

The Govr Genl in Council directs the addition of the following paragraph to Rule (b) under Sec 37 of Actg Allowance Code :—

If the Civil Surgn retains visiting charge of the station, the Asst Surgn is entitled to half these allowances.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

In continuation of G G O No 810, dated the 1st Aug 1876, the undermentioned Officer is permitted to retire from the service from the date specified, under the provisions of G G O No 1 of the 1st Jan 1876 :—

Lt-Col (Bt-Col) William Paske, S C, Ordinary Pension £365, Annuity £324-6, date of retirement 15th Aug 1876, to be paid in England.

The undermentioned Officer of the Bl S C, having completed 20 years' service, is promoted to the rank of Maj, from the date specified, under the provisions of G G O No 808 of the 26th Sept 1866, subject to H M's approval :—

Capt Archibald Lewis Playfair, 5th Aug 1876.

The undermentioned Officers having completed twelve years' service, including four years in the S C, are promoted to the rank of Capt from the dates specified, under the Royal Warrant of the 16th Jan 1861, subject to H M's approval :—

Bl Staff Corps—Lt Thomas James Bailey, 5th Aug 1876 and Lt Stannus Verner Gordon, 9th Aug 1876.

The undermentioned Officers have reported their departure on the dates specified :—

Maj Genl R Maclagan, Royal Engrs, G G O No 156 of 1876, 20th March 1876.

Lt-Col (Bt-Col) H F R Maunsell, C B, Royal Engrs (Hony Aide-de-Camp to the Govr Genl), G G O No 655 of 1876, Australia, 1st June 1876, from Bombay.

Lt-Col (Bt-Col) T G Kennedy, Bl S C, G G O No 499 of 1876, Gwalior, 2nd June 1876, from Bombay.

Maj J B Smith, Bl S C, G G O No 790 of 1876, Orion, 20th July 1876, from Calcutta.

Capt A Conolly, Bl S C, G G O No 1320 of 1875, Cathay, 20th Dec 1875, from Bombay.

Capt H B Marsh, Genl List, Infy, G G O No 410 of 1876, Tebe, 25th June 1876, from Bombay.

Capt H C Marsh, Bl S C, G G O No 410 of 1876, Tebe, 25th June 1876, from Bombay.

Capt C W Campbell, Genl List, Cavy, G G O No 143 of 1876 Peona, 27th March 1876, from Madras.

Surgn-Maj T G Sinclair, Medl Dept, G G O No 572 of 1876, Travancore, 23rd June 1876, from Bombay.

Lt W Hill, Bl S C, G G O No 194 of 1876, 23rd June 1876 from Bombay.

Lt F C N Goldney, Bl S C, G G O No 768 of 1876, Almora, 21st July 1876, from Calcutta.

Lt L F Grey, Bl S C, G G O No 765, of 1876, Orion, 20th July 1876, from Calcutta.

The undermentioned Officers are permitted to proceed to Europe on furlough on private affairs :—

Lt Col Thomas Francis Forster, Bl S C, 2nd class Depy Comr, Hissar Dist, Punjab, for two years, under Rule IX of the Regulations of 1868.

Maj William Hay Macnaghten, late 5th European Lt Cavy, 2nd in Command and Squadn Officer, 3rd Bengal Lancers, for two years, under Rule IX of the Regulations of 1868.

The furlough to Europe granted to Surgn K McLeod, M D Medl Dept, in G G O No 45 of 1876, has effect from the 16th May 1876, instead of the 15th April 1874 as previously notified.

The services of Surgn P A Weir, Medl Dept, are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Govt of Bengal.

Under the authority of the Rt Hon the Secy of State for India it is hereby notified that, for the future, Administrative Officers of the Indian Medical service will be placed, as regards furlough on the same footing as officers of the same grade in the British Medical service, as laid down in G G O No 1088 of the 18th Oct 1872. The procedure in obtaining such furlough will follow similar rules for the Indian service.

2 Should an officer exceed the six or four months' absence from India, as the case may be, he will come under the operation of such furlough rules as he may have elected, an his furlough pay will be adjusted accordingly.

3 It is further notified that in the case of all future appointments to the Administrative Staff of the Indian Medical service absence on leave in excess of six months on medical certificate or four months on private affairs, will be considered as involving forfeiture of appointment.

The services of Surgn G P Mackenzie, M D, Medl Dept, Offg in medical charge 41st (The Gwalior) Regt of N I, are placed at the disposal of the Bengal Govt.

The undermentioned Officer is admitted to the Bl S C, with effect from the date specified, subject to the confirmation of the Rt Hon the Secy of State for India :—

Lt Lewis Maltby Boileau, 19th Foot, Offg 2nd Wing Subn 33th (The Agra) Regt of N I,—23rd June 1875

The undermentioned Officer has reported his return from England :—

Surgn Maj R F Hutchinson, M D, Medical Dept,—date of arrival at Fort William, 4th Aug 1876.

Capt E A Money, Adjt, on rejoining, to officiate as 3rd Sqdn Officer, during the period Capt T Shepherd may officiate as 2nd Sqdn Officer, or until further orders.

Lt E Lloyd, Adjt, to revert to his former appointment of 1st Subn, but to officiate as Adjt during the period Capt Money may officiate as 3rd Sqdn Officer or until further orders.

Lt R H Forest, 1st Sqdn Subn, to revert to his former appointment of 2nd Sqdn Subn but to officiate as 1st Sqdn Subn, during the period Lt Lloyd may officiate as Adjt, or until further orders.

Corps of Guides (Queen's Own), Capt A J Nicholson, whose tenure of appointment of Qr Mr has expired, to officiate as Wing Officer during the period Capt A G Hammond may officiate as 2nd Squadn Officer, or until further orders.

Lt F D Battye, Squadn Subn, to be Qr Mr, vice Capt Nicholson

Lt C G Mansel, 2nd Squadn Subn, 4th Punjab Cavy, to be Squadn Subn, vice Lt Battye.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Mr James H Nicholls, 1st class Officer of the Indian Govt Steamer Irrawady, is permitted to resign his appointment in the Marine.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The resignation of his appointment by Mr J Smart, Asst Engr, 3rd grade, Bengal Provincial Estbt, is accepted.

The following permanent and temporary promotions are made in the Estabt of Accountants on the General List, with effect from the dates specified :—

PERMANENT PROMOTIONS.

From 4th to 3rd Grade—Mr M Dunbill, Mysore from 18th May 1875, Baboonath Deenonath Banerjee, Military Works, from 18th May 1876, and Mr W A Long, Mysore, from 19th May 1876.

TEMPORARY PROMOTIONS.

From 4th to 3rd Grade—Mr E T Boyton, Mysore, from 18th May 187 , Sub-Conductor M Shanahan, Rajpootana, from 18th May 1876, and Mr J H Palmer, Accountant General's Office, from 19th May 1876.

The services of Mr T W Miles, Ex Engr, 4th grade, on the Estabt under the Director of State Railways, are placed at the disposal of the Foreign Dept with effect from 22nd Jan 1875.

Mr J Finch is appointed to the P W Dept as a Store-keeper, 2nd grade, on probation, with effect from 2nd March 1876, and posted to the Estabt under the Director of State Railways.

Mr V B Paterson, Asst Engr, 3rd grade, attached to the Railway Branch, British Burmah, having passed the prescribed examination, is promoted to the rank of Asst Engr, 2nd grade, with effect from 18th July 1876.

Mr J C Oman, Accountant 1st grade, is on return from leave posted to the Rajpootana State Railway.

The services of Lt Col M G Clerk General List, Infantry Asst Engr, 1st grade, on the Estabt under the Director of State Railways, are replaced at the disposal of the Military Dept.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES, THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

EUROPE.

DEATH.

SANDS—July 21st, at Hillsborough, Co. Down, Jeanette Proudfoot Spittle, youngest daughter of William Sands, Esq., aged 18.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES,

BIRTHS.

BROWNE—August 14th, at Khewra, Pind-Dadun-Khan, the wife of C. A. Browne, Esq., Inland Customs, of a daughter.

HAWKINS—August 19th, at N. S. Old Court House Corner, the wife of W. Hay, Oudh and Rohilkund Railway Company, of a son.

DEATHS.

GRIBBON—August 18th, at Naini Tal, Ethel May, the beloved daughter of Surgeon-Major Gribbon, 1-25th Regiment, aged three years and three months.

LOUIS—August 19th, at Mussoorie, William Lumley Louis, late Captain, 101st R. N. Fusiliers, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, N. W. P.

POSTAL NOTICES.

DEPARTURE OF OCEAN MAILS.

	Date.	Mail closes.	After packet.
United Kingdom	Aug 25	3-30 P.M.	4-30 P.M.
Kurrachee	,, 26	11-0 A.M.	6-0 P.M.
Persian Gulf via Kurrachee	,, 30	11-0 A.M.	1-30 P.M.
China	Sept 4	3-0 P.M.	No after
Australia	,, 16	3-0 P.M.	P cket.
Mauritius and Reunion	Aug 25	3-30 P.M.	4-0 P.M.
Zanzibar, &c	,, 25	3-30 P.M.	4-30 P.M.

OVERLAND MAIL.

The Overland Mail Steamers of the P. and O. S. N. Company will leave Bombay every *Friday* soon after 5 P.M. The following are the revised arrangements in the hours for closing Mails :—

Letters will be received at the General Post Office up to 3-30 P.M.

Newspapers, Books, and Patterns up to 1-30 P.M.

Registered Letters up to 1 P.M.

Registered Letters, if fully prepaid together with an extra fee of 2 annas, will be received at the General Post Office between 3 and 3 P.M.

Late letters, if fully pre-paid by means of stamps in respect both of postage and of the late letter fee (2 annas each), will be received at the Wellington Pier Post Office from 3-30 to 4-30 P.M.

The latest hour for posting ordinary Overland Covers at the Fort Branch Post Offices will be 3 P.M., and registered letters at 1 P.M.

Fully pre-paid letters will be received on board the Overland Mail Steamer after 3 P.M., and up to starting time (5 P.M.) by the payment of an additional fee of 4 annas. All others will be refused.

The Overland Mail Steamers will leave Bombay as under :—

5-30 P.M.		5-30 P.M.	
Friday	Aug 25	Friday	Sept. 8
,,	Sept 1	,,	,, 15

POSTAGE BY THE BRINDISI ROUTE.

The Postage rates chargeable on Correspondence forwarded via Brindisi, to the United Kingdom, or to non-countries served through the United Kingdom, are as follows :—

For the United Kingdom.

Each Letter per ½ ounce—annas 6.

Each Newspaper per 4 ounces—annas 2.

Each Pattern Packet or Printed Papers, per two ounces, 2½ annas.

Covers not marked for any particular route will, as a general rule, be sent by the route which stands first on the Schedule except when either there is quicker despatch by some other route or where the first route may require the compulsory prepayment of a higher rate of postage than has been prepaid or where the amount of postage paid may leave no doubt as to the route intended.

The postage chargeable on letters sent to the Union countries mentioned below is as follows :—

	per ½ oz. Annas Pice.
Germany, Austria, Hungary, Belgium, Denmark, Egypt, Spain, United States of America, France, Greece, Italy, Luxemburg, Norway, Portugal, Roumania, Turkey, Russia, Servia, Sweden, Switzerland	5 0

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NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENT.

ANNIE LACEY.—It seems undoubtedly to be true that the *Times of India* takes a strange interest in you and your affairs, but as your quarrel with the editor of that paper is a matter for settlement between yourselves, and could not interest our readers, we decline to publish the correspondence you have sent us.

All MONEY ORDERS, CHEQUES, and other Remittances sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

The Bombay Gazette

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 1876.

INDIA has proved too much for several of the English special correspondents, and it is not saying too much that in the case of Mr. Wheeler, barrister of the Inner Temple, and representative of the Central News Association, it has produced softening of the brain. Tickled by the specimens which the *Athenæum* gave of Mr. Wheeler's account of India we have dipped into his book for ourselves, and we can safely assert that a greater amount of nonsense, ignorance, flunkeyism, and bad grammar has never been poured forth upon this unfortunate country by any traveller. Mr. Wheeler seems to have wandered about India with his mouth and note-book wide open, and to have caught a large number of flies in each of these receptacles. He evidently came hither with the crudest impressions about India and the East generally, and his wonder and astonishment at all he saw seem to have affected his intelligence to such an alarming degree that in the conflict of his small ideas with his plethora of badly chosen language both words and ideas have become almost unrecognisable as reasonable particles in the community of letters. If Mr. Wheeler had had any friends whose opinions he respected as much as his own the world in general, and Anglo-Indians in particular, would never have been favoured with such an amusing production as "India—1875-76 : Chronicle of the visit of the Prince Wales in "India, Ceylon, and Portugal." A few specimens of Mr. Wheeler's wonderful production will show whether or not we have spoken unjustly of this latest attempt to teach the English public something about India. Mr. Wheeler, as we have already said, dedicates his book to Dr. Russell, the special correspondent of the *Times*, who in a sudden accession of heroworship is declared to be quite equal to Thucydides. In Mr. Wheeler's opinion the Prince of Wales' progress through the country "proved "that virtue and wisdom can exist in the "highest places without being darkened by "the hideous shadow of vice." Who ever said that it did anything else? It is very good indeed of Mr. Wheeler to patronise the Prince's virtue and wisdom, and to compliment the shadow of vice upon its absence. But his flunkeyism is far too comprehensive to be satisfied with flattering the Prince of Wales in season and out of season. It pays homage to the members of the Prince's staff and a number of other people. As for Captain Glyn, "every one knows "with what admirable skill, and what extraordinary punctuality to time, the Serapis was "steered through the royal voyages." "In the "pig sticking excursions in the jungle round "Jeypore no more venturesome rider dashed "into the field than this gallant sailor; . . . "in the minds of the Rajpoot Shikars he was "associated with band of daring and valiant "horsemen from whom the worshipped leaders "of the native cavalry spring; . . . over "this coterie there have in the past presided "three Graces, Nicholson and Hodson and "Probyn, but a fourth Pegasusian has now "arisen, this time a son of Neptune instead of "Mars, and his name is Glyn." This is surely strong enough to suit the taste of the "fourth Pegasusian." The Duke of Sutherland is a "man of unassuming tastes with the best of "hearts." "Nothing in India seems to tire down His Grace," and we are pleased to find that Mr. Wheeler remembers him "stepping from the "train at Calcutta, after our five days' terribly "hot journey from Madras, with his white linen "cap upon his head, bushy with still golden "curls, and looking as hale and fresh and agile as "if he was leaving Stafford House for his morning "walk in the Mall" We believe Mr. Wheeler is quite right in saying that the Duke's "practical experience as an engineer puzzled all "the railway people." It is also gratifying to find that His Grace, who had never been in India before, not only "talked with Belgians "and Germans in their own language, but "was frequently found gossiping in a friendly "way with Hindoo policemen and Portuguese "station masters." The indefatigable Wheeler had his eye upon the Duke apparently, and it is perhaps as well for His Grace that his gossip with the Hindoo policemen and the Portuguese station masters was of a friendly description. Lord Alfred Paget is "undoubtedly "possessed of that happy temperature (*sic*)—"that even tenour of life—when an exciting "tiger hunt, or a display of Indian fireworks win "from him a quiet smile or laconic observation, "instead of feverish pulse beats or garrulous "ecstasies." Lord Alfred "was requested *always* "to take up his place behind the Prince, rifle in "hand, during the Indian hunting expeditions. "If any ferocious animal *did* attempt to molest "his master, he it was who was trusted to parley "with the foe and deal him instant punishment." Then Mr. Wheeler narrates the wonderful fact that "Lord Alfred's unflinching gaze and the upraising of his stout "arm kept back a surging heated crowd from "the royal carriage" upon one occasion. Sir Bartle Frere is "gifted with a disposition cheery "and conversational." It was, it seems, "left "for Sir Bartle to delineate the natives of India "after a noble fashion, and to up-root old pre "judices against them." Commander Bedford wrote a book called the "Sailors' Pocket Book," Lieutenant Hulton wears an Ashantee medal, and Lord Charles Bedford wears a Royal Humane Society medal; and M. Bonnemain was once the Emperor Maximilian's cook. We are glad to hear all this, though perhaps some people may think that Mr. Wheeler need not have been flunkey to the Prince's "bobachee." Mr. Wheeler's description of his journey through Italy to Brindisi is too weak and silly to be noticed; but some of his discoveries in Egypt were astounding. One of the correct things to do in Alexandria is to hire a carriage and drive to see the river Nile! The Nile happens to be about sixty miles from Alexandria. The Nile was to him a "broad band of silver running through "the dark dried land of the Sahara Desert!" For a barrister-at-law Mr. Wheeler has eccentric ideas about the whereabouts of the Sahara. Why does he not keep a schoolmaster at his elbow? At Suez he found donkeys "fleet of step"—could they be fleet of anything else, we wonder?—and that they could go long distances without a budge, though how any animal, if even a donkey, could proceed without "budging" is a singular phenomenon. Within a dozen lines he declares that Mount Sinai was peeping above the white mist, and that "all the summits of the hills were encircled with sheets of clouds." On his journey down the Red Sea he saw "the "bleak town of Mocha, so celebrated for its "coffee," on his right. Mr. Wheeler has yet to learn that Mocha is on the Arabian and not the Egyptian or Abyssinian coast. When Mr. Wheeler landed in Bombay, he says it was "very pleasant "to see Englishmen in abundance, conversing "with well dressed intelligent looking Hindoos. "The chiefs and their whole tag-rag and bob-"tail paraphernalia" look like a company of poor strolling players. He went one day to see the arrival of the Maharana of Oodeypore. "His hair was thickly matted; his skin flabby, "leathery, and bronzed." His body was chiefly covered with what looked like an old red pocket handkerchief; yet he "wore pantaloons, and "from the pockets were protruding stalks of "vegetables which gave forth anything but "a sweet perfume. It struck me that these "had perhaps been intended as the humble "breakfast of this poor, haggard, wretched-"looking old man." Now, how untruthful is this whole picture! It is nothing but an ignorant effort to produce an effect upon credulous readers. The Chief of Oodeypore is not an old man; he is a very good looking young fellow. He was not likely to appear, to be received by a Government official, in the state described by Mr. Wheeler. The vegetables which offended Mr. Wheeler's eyesight and nose are probably a product of his arid little imagination, and the same may be said of the "little red handkerchief." Mr. Wheeler next saw the Maharaja of Mysore and the Gaekwar of Baroda, and "gushes" into a description of their dresses. The Gaekwar's garb "is not "only of gold, but his breast plate, bracelets, "anklets, and scimetars blaze and sparkle with "the loveliest of precious stones. In the centre "of the tight fitting cuirass, which he wears is a "diamond called the Star of the South, the value "of which alone is £10,000." It seems that the Gaekwar was a street *gamin*, and that "on the morning that he was to take his place "on the throne of Baroda he was seen playing "in the streets naked, with the exception of a "cloth around his body!' What amusing nonsense this is, to be sure! The present Gaekwar is *not* a cousin of the late Gaekwar; he never was a street *gamin*; nor was he playing in the manner described when he was placed on the throne. Mr. Wheeler evidently requires as much teaching in elementary Indian history as he does in the rudiments of geography. He gives the world the information that the three great Princes of the Bombay Presidency are the Maharaja of Mysore, the Nizam, and the Gaekwar of Baroda. Neither Hyderabad nor Mysore is in the Bombay Presidency. Mr. Wheeler visited Sir Munguldass Nathoobhoy, who told him that "natives would never rise to a very high position "in India, as some Englishmen thought; they "were mentally but not physically capable of "ruling, and all students of any worth in India "became enfeebled and blind almost before they "reached manhood." If Sir Munguldass said this, he must have been hoaxing Mr. Wheeler, as he and his brethren are known to hold no small opinion of themselves notwithstanding their advanced age; and moreover they are not blind yet. Mr. Wheeler saw a native funeral. The men wore "linga cloths." What on earth are these? "Some of the mourners flung them-"selves down on the roads, and after shaking "their tear stained faces madly in the dust, "would scramble up, and once more struggle "on after the corpse!' What eccentric conduct!—to *shake* one's face in the dust! From these and similar scenes he draws the profound conclusion that the Prince of Wales "can study "the genius of hundreds of millions of people in "their own sphere of action." Considering that the whole population of Hindoostan is estimated to be about two hundred millions, Mr. Wheeler has credited the Prince with a very remarkable task. Mr Wheeler is pleased to think very highly of Bombay. "In no other part of "India will His Royal Highnesssee so brilliant a "diversity of dress—for representatives of every "race *except* Indians of North and South America "and Esquimaux are to be found here.' Why the exception? It is cruel of Mr. Wheeler, who apparently admits Fiji Islanders and Ashantees, to bar Esquimaux and North and South American Indians from enjoying a share of the pleasant society of Bombay. Mr. Wheeler discovered that there is always going on in Bombay a struggle between native and European taste, and that "the native is, "as the years flow on, evincing more and more "a wish to imitate by his dress the well-"clothed European, while Europeans, and especially European ladies, hesitate not at all "to adopt this or that peculiarity of Indian "costume which recommends itself for wear "either by its utility or its beauty." This should be news both to Europeans and natives. We wonder how many natives Mr. Wheeler saw wearing English dress coats and long hats, and how many English ladies moving about with rings in their noses and *sarees* (which Mr. Wheeler always calls togas, owing to some professional predilection) around their lovely persons. The Hindoos and Mahomedans are "scrupulously sober and self "denying; a little rice and curry powder, a plan-"tain or two, satisfies *(sic)* most of the poorer "natives as a day's food." Mr. Wheeler's heart was much touched by the affection of Hindoo and Mahomedan parents—he says nothing about Parsees—for he found children "visible "and to be counted by their thousands, and the "tender ways in which their fathers gambol about "with them round the bandstand on the Esplanade testify how strong and fervent the chords "of love are there." But it is the Byculla Club which most excited Mr. Wheeler's admiration. The sights he saw in and out of that establishment were wonderful. He saw fields of "corn;" lines of trees "known in the East as golden "mohurs;" "tramway cars crammed with "passengers;" "acres of brown earth, newly up-"turned by Lincolnshire ploughs;" "plucky "little Hindoo boys flying kites unmindful of the "pain caused by the stalks of straw piercing "their bare feet," upon "the placid waters of "the Indian Ocean, above the horizon line, "many white sails—these are the yachts of the "Bombay Club airing their sheets (!) in the "evening breeze." At the back of the Club Mr. Wheeler found the panorama still more attractive. "Beyond groves of bana-"nas, emerald mango trees, and the scarlet "tinted shoe-flowers, are low brown hills." "Sprinkled along the summits are the grace-"ful tar-trees (!) Here and there on the hills "and beneath them, are buildings like farm-"houses, with roofs of dark brown Cornish (!) "tiles." We do not know where the low brown hills are which Mr. Wheeler says are at the back of the Byculla Club; but *he* does well enough, for

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS FOR THE BOMBAY GAZETTE.

THE APPOINTMENT OF REMOUNT AGENT.

ALLAHABAD, 23RD AUGUST.

Captain W. A. Roberts, R. H. A., has been selected to succeed Mr. Thacker as Remount Agent, Calcutta.

THE 5TH FUSILIERS.

The Company of the 5th Fusiliers, which moved into camp on the Cawnpore road, has been sent farther off to Burgarh.

LIEUTENANT LANE.

Lieutenant Lane has been sent back to Peshawur under arrest, to be tried by Court-Martial for desertion.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

REPORTED REPULSE OF THE TURKS.

LONDON, 23RD AUGUST.

Servian official despatches state that the Turks have attacked and been repulsed before Alexinatz.

The Gurgosovaz] forces have withdrawn to Nissa and the Servian troops have occupied Gurgosovaz.

RUSSIAN VOLUNTEERS.

Large numbers of Volunteers are joining the Servians from Russia, including officers and soldiers, Russia permitting.

FURTHER ATROCITIES IN BULGARIA.

Further accounts are published of Turkish atrocities in Bulgaria.

THE MAILS.

LONDON, 22ND AUGUST.

The Bombay heavy mails of the 21st ultimo, arrived at Southampton yesterday.

LONDON, 22ND AUGUST, AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed dull. Surats dull.

The London Cotton Market has been dull.

Fair Dhollera..... 4½d.

The Manchester Market has been dull.

7 lbs. Shirtings ..... 6-1½.

8½ lbs. do. ..... 7-1½.

40s Mule Twist..... 0-10.

3 per cent, Consols for account 96¼

5 per cent, French Rente, 1872 .... 106½

The sum of £103,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

Arrival—Thibet.

Departure—Childwall Hall.

STEAMER REPORT.

GALLE, 23RD AUGUST, 4-32 P.M.

Mail steamer China, from Bombay, arrived.

WEATHER REPORTS.—23RD AUGUST.

(MADRAS TIME.)

CANNANORE, 5-28 P.M.—Weather cloudy, wind S. W., thermometer 82, barometer 29·82.

CARWAR, 5 P.M.—Weather fine, wind W. N.W. 2 to 5, thermometer 82, barometer 29·90. Fall of rain 33 cents.

MANGALORE, 8-53 A.M.—Weather rainy, wind N. W., N. W., thermometer max. 79, min. 77. Fall of rain 80 cents.

TUTICORIN, 5 P.M.—Weather fair, wind E., thermometer 86, barometer 29·80.

VINGORLA, 5 P.M.—Weather cloudy, wind W. N W. strong, thermometer 84. Fall of rain 15 cents.

LINE REPORTS.—23RD AUGUST.

Cable right to Fao. Turkish line right to Pera. Persian line right to London.

We are sure our readers will excuse us for again speaking about the newspaper quarrel which has been unwarrantably thrust upon us. The *Times of India* yesterday published an article which painfully revealed its editor's peculiarly amiable disposition. We all know that poor Mr. Blanchard, who has been struggling to earn a living out of his paper the *Indian Statesman*, has been unfortunate, and that at last he has been compelled to give in. It was the duty of every decent newspaper conductor in India to give Mr. Blanchard his sympathy. The editor of the *Times of India*, in gloating over the misfortunes of his brother journalist, takes upon himself the serious responsibility of risking the alienation from his paper of every man possessed of good taste and ordinary feelings of generosity. It is against all English codes of honour to strike a man when he is down, and we sympathise sincerely with Mr. Blanchard for being so unfortunate as to have such a foe as his Christian friend and brother journalist the editor of the *Times of India*. In the course of his remarks upon the *Indian Statesman*, the editor of the *Times of India* has thought fit to repeat the false and calumnious statement that the *Bombay Gazette* is mortgaged to natives, in order to pay "even a single creditor eight annas in the rupee." Mr. Maclean, who knew well how to answer such slanders, is absent from Bombay, and in repeating a gross attack upon Mr. Maclean's private affairs when he is not here to repel it, the editor of the *Times of India* shows another trait in the character of his disposition. Whether or not Mr. Maclean did what the *Times of India* lays to his charge ought to be no particular concern of the public's, as he is quite entitled to manage his private affairs as he pleases, the fact of a man being a newspaper editor and proprietor not being sufficient to deprive him of a privilege shared by the rest of the community. As the editor of the *Times of India*, however, when reduced to the extremity of presenting himself and his paper with a certificate of good character, insists upon making the private affairs of his neighbours public property, we cannot do better than reprint what Mr. Maclean wrote when he was assailed in the same way by the editor of the *Times of India* a few months ago:—

As everybody knows his neighbour's affairs in Bombay, we are not taking the public into our confidence when we mention that the proprietor of the *Gazette*, who had bought the paper at the end of 1863 for £15,000 and paid off the whole of the purchase money within eighteen months, found himself, through his own folly, reduced at the end of 1866 to the necessity of beginning this work all over again. Starting in 1867 with a new debt of about £15,000 he had paid off, up to the middle of last year, about two thirds of this sum with interest. The sum for the remainder was held by a rich and friendly creditor who, actuated, we sincerely believe, by pure good will rather than any other motive, offered to cancel the debt, which was payable by instalments, on payment of about half the amount in cash. If we had not been able to show that the *Gazette* is now in a very prosperous condition, we could never have taken advantage of this liberal offer; but we are h[illegible] that the transaction was com[illegible] the charge on the *Gazette* is [illegible]um, and that the pro[illegible]ain propitious, of [illegible]go his long

The first list of subscriptions to the Lord Napier of Magdala Memorial Fund shows that the amount so far promised is a little short of Rs. 14,000, or about one-fourth of what is required for a good equestrian statue, nothing short of which would be a fitting memorial of Lord Napier's long and distinguished career.

The total quantity of cotton exported from India in the month of July last was 256,727 cwts., valued at Rs. 59,57,700, and from the 1st of October 1875 to the end of July 1876, the quantity exported was 4,195 392 cwts., valued at Rs. 10,56,80,049 as compared with 5,307,136 cwts., valued at Rs. 14,48,51,781, exported in the corresponding period of 1874-75.

The extent to which European troops are this year enjoying the privilege of residence at the hill stations is very great. From recent returns, which the *Pioneer* has obtained, and on which our contemporary says he can rely, we learn that there are at present 9,150 European soldiers, with 839 soldiers' wives and 1,810 children, distributed through the various permanent or temporary hill stations of the Bengal Presidency.

A very smart shock of earthquake was felt at Nellore about 8½ o'clock P.M. on the 15th ultimo. The D. P. W. Officer in charge reported:—"Unlike all the shocks I have experienced here during the last three years this one was confined to this locality, or rather it originated in it (the hills); the shock was most sensibly felt preceded by the sound of an explosion as it were, and followed by a very loud rumbling. This is the second shock in this month; the previous one occurred during the day, on the 5th instant."

The Governor General in Council has directed that the Sea Customs Revenue shall henceforth be administered in the Department of Revenue, Agriculture and Commerce of the Government of India. It is a standing rule that no measure intended to cause any increase or decrease of any item of public revenue shall be considered otherwise than in consultation with the Financial Department, and this rule will apply especially to duties of Sea Customs; but all communications relating to Sea Customs should, in future, be addressed to the Government of India in the Department of Revenue, Agriculture and Commerce.

Scarcely an examination takes place in this country but some of the papers are almost sure to be circulated amongst the students before the proper time. We are told that the Roorkee College examinations are now going on, and some of the subordinate class papers have, it seems, got abroad in the most mysterious manner. The Principal has taken prompt action in the matter, set fresh papers, and expelled sundry native students. The examination is now proceeding smoothly. If on further enquiry the young natives should be found to be guilty, we shall have another instance of the subtle wickedness of the people of the East, who seem to commence their evil doings from the very earliest period of their existence.

The Department of Revenue, Agriculture and Commerce reports on the state of the season and prospects of the crops for the week ending the 17th August 1876, that in Madras slight rain is reported from all districts; the season is still said to be unfavourable in Kurnool; elsewhere prospects seem fair. In Mysore light showers have fallen, but more rain is much required, and prospects have not ceased to be doubtful. In Sind the river is high and prospects are fair. Elsewhere throughout the Bombay Presidency the rainfall has been very deficient, the fall during the week being everywhere under one inch except in Tanna and Kanara: more rain is urgently required in all districts. In the Central Provinces the fall has been insufficient for the rice crops in the districts about Nagpore, while in those lying near the Vindhyas it has been excessive. In Berar want of rain renders prospects unfavourable. In Central India rain is much required at Mhow and in Malwa. In Rajpootana little has fallen, and more is wanted in Marwar, Jeypore, and Ulwur. In Bengal the fall has been plentiful and general, and prospects are good in all districts except Pooree. In Assam also the fall has been copious and prospects are favourable. Moderate rain has fallen throughout the North-Western Provinces, and somewhat less in Oudh; accounts are good. In the Punjab rain is reported only from Umballa, Lahore, Rawul Pindi, and Peshawur; prospects are favourable.

The following story of a case of thrashing a servant is told by a Madras correspondent of a contemporary:—"I can give you a story, the truth of which I guarantee; the incident was witnessed by several officials. When the Prince's train arrived at Vellore it was night. One of the carriages had run hot and had to be removed. A carriage had previously been removed for the same reason, and several of the members of the suite had to change their places. In the bustle, Lord Charles Paget appears to have lost his sword, for he ran about on the Vellore platform in great excitement calling out: 'Allah-u-Deen! damn you, Allah-u-Deen, have you found my sword?' The sword was not found, thereupon his Lordship clubbed his Ulster great coat, for want of a better weapon, and *thrashed* his boy with it in presence of several dignified officials who had come to meet the Prince, who was sleeping in his carriage. And these are the gentlemen, forsooth, who have ventured to complain to Lord Salisbury of the want of cordiality between the English and the natives. If Allah-u-Deen had had a diseased spleen, and had slipped and fallen on the wet platform of the station, should we have been indulged with a long minute from H. E. the G. in C. regarding 'European masters treating their native servants in a manner in which they would not treat men of their own race?' This little incident has not yet found its way into print, but I hope it will spread far and wide. Send Lord Charles a copy of this paper; I challenge him to deny it."

The Lahore paper publishes the following frontier news:—"The Afreedees of the Kohat Pass having temporarily vacated their defensive posts on the Kothul or crest of the Pass, and also the towers held by them at the mouth of the pass on the Kohat side, and gone off to some distance to attend the funeral of a man of some note in their clan, information of the fact was communicated to the Deputy Commissioner, who ordered the Bungush tribe of the Kohat Valley to occupy these posts on behalf of the British Government. On hearing of this, the Afreedees returned in haste and gave the Bungushes the option of vacating peaceably, which the latter did, resigning, at the same time, some of their personal property which they were either not able, or not permitted by the Afreedees, to carry off. The Afreedees are laying in stores of supplies and ammunition in the full conviction that they will be attacked by a British force at the commencement of the cold season, but they do not exhibit any desire to yield to the demands of the British Government. Indeed, they have received an assurance of help from the Akhoond of Swat in the event of a British force really entering their hills. Meanwhile, the Akhoond has reiterated his previous order for rigidly excluding all British subjects, servants and emissaries from Swat, and has authorised the tribes under his influence to go to the assistance of the Afreedees as soon as the latter are attacked by the British. The [illegible]es of Teerah are still undecided as to [illegible]de they shall take; but some designing [illegible] Kohat Pass Afreedees have [illegible]m with stories of the [illegible]itish Government to [illegible] of the Ameer of [illegible]ier in that direc[illegible]lthy and [illegible] than [illegible] and [illegible]

THE QUEEN'S TITLE OF "EMPRESS OF INDIA."

The following are the "Annexures" to the *Gazette of India Extraordinary* of Friday last, following the proclamation of the Viceroy which we published on Monday last:—

[39 VIC. CAP. 10.]

No. 1.]

An Act to enable Her Most Gracious Majesty to make an addition to the Royal Style and Titles appertaining to the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom and its Dependencies. [27th April 1876.]

(Transmitted in Secretary of State's Despatch No. 28 [Legislative] of 29th June 1876.)

Whereas by the Act for the Union of Great Britain and Ireland passed in the fortieth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, chapter sixty-seven, it was provided that after such Union as aforesaid the Royal style and titles appertaining to the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom and its Dependencies should be such as His Majesty by His Royal Proclamation under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom should be pleased to appoint:

And whereas by virtue of the said Act and of a Royal Proclamation under the Great Seal, dated the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and one, the present style and titles of Her Majesty are "Victoria by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen Defender of the Faith:"

And whereas by the Act for the better government of India passed in the Session of the twenty-first and twenty-second years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter one hundred and six, it was enacted that the government of India, theretofore vested in the East India Company in trust for Her Majesty, should become vested in Her Majesty, and that India should thenceforth be governed by and in the name of Her Majesty, and it is expedient that there should be a recognition of the transfer of government so made by means of an addition to be made to the style and titles of of Her Majesty:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

It shall be lawful for Her Most Gracious Majesty, with a view to such recognition as aforesaid of the transfer of the Government of India, by Her Royal Proclamation under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, to make such addition to the Style and Titles at present appertaining to the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom and its Dependencies as to Her Majesty may seem meet.

No. 2.]

No. 70, dated India Office, 13th July 1876.

From Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, to the Government of India.

I forward herewith, for the information of Your Excellency's Government, copy of the Queen's Proclamation notifying the assumption by Her Majesty of the title of "Empress of India."

2. This act on the part of Her Majesty is formal and emphatic expression, for which it seemed to the Queen that the opportunity was eminently suitable, of the favourable sentiments which she has always entertained towards the Princes and People of India. I request that Your Excellency will proclaim throughout Her Majesty's Indian Dominions, in a manner suitable to Her gracious intentions, the addition which has been made to the Royal Style and Titles.

SALISBURY.

By the
QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION.

VICTRIA, R.

Whereas an Act has been passed in the present Session of Parliament, intituled "an Act to enable Her Most Gracious Majesty to make an addition to the Royal Style and Titles appertaining to the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom and its Dependencies,' which Act recites that, by the Act for the Union of Great Britain and Ireland, it was provided that after such Union the Royal Style and Titles appertaining to the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom and its Dependencies should be such as His Majesty by His Royal Proclamation under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom should be pleased to appoint: and which Act also recites that, by virtue of the said Act, and of a Royal Proclamation under the Great Seal, dated the 1st day of January 1801, our present Style and Titles are "Victoria, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith:" and which Act also recites that, by the Act for the better Government of India, it was enacted that the Government of India, theretofore vested in the East India Company in trust for Us, should become vested in Us, and that India should thenceforth be governed by Us and in Our name, and that it is expedient that there should be a recognition of the transfer of Government so made by means of an addition to be made to Our Style and Titles: And which Act, after the said recitals, enacts that it shall be lawful for Us, with a view to such recognition as aforesaid, of the transfer of the Government of India, by Our Royal Proclamation under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, to make such addition to the Style and Titles at present appertaining to the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom and its Dependencies as to Us may seem meet; we have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council to appoint and declare, and We do hereby, by and with the said advice, appoint and declare that henceforth, so far as conveniently may be, on all occasions and in all instruments wherein Our Style and Titles are used, save and except all Charters, Commissions, Letters Patent, Grants Writs, Appointments and other like instruments not extending in their operation beyond the United Kingdom, the following addition shall be made to the Style and Titles at present appertaining to the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom and its Dependencies; that is to say in the Latin tongue in these words: "Indiæ Imperatrix." And in the English tongue in these words: "Empress of India."

And Our will and pleasure further is that the said addition shall not be made in the Commissions, Charters, Letters Patent, Grants, Writs, Appointments, and other like instruments here in before specially excepted.

And Our will and pleasure further is, that all gold, silver, and copper moneys now current and lawful moneys of the United Kingdom, and all gold, silver, and copper moneys which shall, on or after this day, be coined by Our authority with the like impressions, shall notwithstanding such addition to Our Style and Titles, be deemed and taken to be current and lawful moneys of the said United Kingdom; and further that all moneys coined for and issued in any of the Dependencies of the said United Kingdom, and declared by Our Proclamation to be current and lawful money of such Dependencies, respectively bearing Our Style, or Titles, or any part or parts thereof, and all moneys which shall hereafter be coined and issued according to such Proclamation, shall, notwithstanding such addition, continue to be lawful and current money of such Dependencies respectively, until Our pleasure shall be further declared thereupon.

Given at our Court at Windsor, the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six in the thirty-ninth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

By order of His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor General of India in Council,
T. H. THORNTON,
Offg Secy. to the Government of India.

P. W. D. GRIEVANCES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—Could any of your military correspondents, through the medium of your valuable journal, be good enough to inform me how it is that serjeants of the Royal Engineers, serving in the P. W. D., only receive the pay of an infantry serjeant? There are at present serving in the P. W. D. of this Presidency, no less than twelve *bonâ fide* R. E. serjeants, all of whom are simply in receipt of the latter stipend. Now, I should like to know how it is Government do not see to these things, and give poor men their rights and dues? It is, I think, very high time the Royal Engineer officers took an interest in the men of their corps. Had we only known the routine that we have to go through, I am almost certain none of us would have ever volunteered our services for India. It would have been much better had we remained with the corps at Chatham. There we could have bettered ourselves by joining the Home P. W., whereas here, after *slaving* for the *short* period of twenty-one years, and in very many instances without the comforts of a home, or any little luxury we could indulge in were we in our native land, we are obliged to retire upon a paltry sum of *two shillings* per diem. Now, in England, a foreman of works retires upon serjeant major's pension, let alone the home life and its comforts.

It is to be hoped, therefore, that this will attract the [illegible] of some R. E. officer holding a position, [illegible] bring forward before Government [illegible]rth.

[illegible]WENTY-FOUR YEARS OLD.

THE TOPOGRAPHY OF THE "TIMES OF INDIA."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—In an article in yesterday's *Times of India* on the Bachi Amavasya the writer implies that he rode through a crowd almost as dense as the Derby crush on the *Old Kent Road*. Will you please ask that writer to let us know when he experienced a Derby crush on that highway? I have seen the blue ribbon of the turf run for more than once and for some years lived on the Epsom Road; and my experience suggests to me that the gentleman who writes for your contemporary is "a young man from the country" who mistakes Kensington and Clapham road, where crushes do occur on Derby Day, for the Old Kent Road. To travel from London to Epsom *via* Old Kent would be something like taking a short cut from the Fort to Mazagon by way of Chowpattee and Girgaum.—Yours, &c.,

August 23. LOCALITY.

THE NUGGUR WEEK.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

There must be many old residents of this favourite station who will be glad to hear of what was going on there last week. Though having no claim to be called an historian, I must try to tell you and your readers something of what I saw and heard. When I begin by saying that the entertainments and sports were under the auspices of the "Queen's," and that Mr. H.——s, the well known sporting subaltern, was secretary and general manager, it will at once be seen that nothing but fair weather was required to have six days of such engagement as Indian stations seldom offer. Visitors come in from all parts. Far distant Assam had its representative, as also had Kurrachee, Jaulnah, Poona, &c. The mail contractor's tat'oos between Dhond and Nuggur must have been very glad when they had taken the last visitor back to the railway station, for the "moorum" on the road, from want of rain, made their work anything but of the lightest. On Monday at 10-30 the cricket match began—Nuggur *vs.* Visitors. The latter eleven, though containing some well-known names, were decidedly "scratchy" and had a tail that would fair outdo that of our friend the ghost in "Hamlet." Visitors won the toss and elected to go in first, but the attack was too strong. H——n at one end was fast and furious, while M——d at the other was, as Dickens says, slow and "All of a Twist" ("Oliver Twist.") All out for 75! Nuggur finding that their visitors had forgotten to bring more than one bowler, gave their unfortunate guests a rare outing. There appeared a unanimous determination not to be hard on their hosts, so several catches that could ordinarily have been thought nothing of, were allowed to drop. Total 151 or 76 to the good.

Visitors' second attempt was exactly the same amount as the first, 75, so they found themselves beaten in one innings and one run. Tiffin was served in the Gymkhana shed, and then the lotteries in the first day's racing were brought forward. Four races run for decision on the morrow. The first was the Ahmednuggur Plate, for which there were two entries—General Lee and Champagne. A long price was given for the former as it was looked upon as a certainty for him. In the Zoroastrian Cup Deception, late Kewmith, and Budmash sold for the same price, while Hanwick and Gharib went for small sums. In the Little Hacks Jas was made the favourite, and in the Whim, Tommy fetched the highest figure. The first day closed with a station dinner at the Queen's mess, at which everybody "assisted," and a most pleasant evening was passed.

On Tuesday morning all Nuggur wended their way to the badminton courts in the Fort to see the match—Visitors *vs.* Nuggur. Again the Visitors were defeated, though, I imagine, had they had a little practice in the courts before playing the match, the result would have been different.

In the afternoon were the first day's races, and the large crowd that assembled in the course showed how popular was this sport. The first race was looked upon as such a certainty for the General that there was little speculation. They got off well together; the General being ridden by Mr. Hughes and Champagne by the owner. They kept together the whole way round the course, but to the surprise of all and delight of some, Mr. H. was seen hard at work on the big horse at beginning of the straight run in. Mr. R., never moved, but Champagne cursing the even tenure of his way, sailed in an easy winner by 2 lengths, amidst the plaudits of the multitude. This was a great pot upset. For the Zoroastrian Cup there were 4 entries, but as Gharib was found to be lame, so did not start. The race lay between Deception and Budmash, and as the former got in a stone lighter than the latter, it was looked on as a certainty, and this time there was no "deception," for the light weight started off with the lead and was never caught, winning easily, in very bad time.

Third Race was the Little Hacks, which Jas had no trouble in winning, and this he did in a canter. The last race which was run in the [illegible]oaming was won easily by Tommy; Chancellor second, Skimash third.

This last horse made a poor exhibition after what was expected of him, but the weight and the distance were too much for him. So ended a most enjoyable afternoon, for thanks to the honorary secretary the arrangements were all that could be desired.

At night there were theatricals in the Queen's Theatre, and I was astonished at the excellence displayed by the various actors. "Kenilworth" and "Chilling" were the pieces performed. When all were good it would be invidious to mention names, but I must say that the character of Queen Elizabeth and of Varney in the first piece and of Trotter in the second were admirably performed. I must not forget the interlude when the policeman's Duett and the Irish song (by an Englishman) were capital. After a hard day's amusement there was now to be a dance at the Queen's mess (after supper). There were not many ladies to dance, but those there were kept it up with great spirit, and it was not until 3.45 that the last strains of music from the band died away on the cool morning breeze.

Wednesday was to have seen the continuation of cricket, but owing to the crushing defeat of Monday, the Visitors did not appear to relish a day's leather hunting, so all idea of a return match was dispelled, and pigeon shooting substituted. A match, 5 aside, 10 birds each—Nuggur *vs.* Visitors—was made up. The best shot in the winning team to have a silver cup. The strangers made a very good fight, but were beaten by 2 birds, Captain Campbell, R.A., winning the cup by killing 9 out of 10. This gentleman was bought in the lottery of Rs. 650 for a mere trifle.

I forgot to mention in its proper place that a match between Mr. Rickard's Australian Champagne and Major Atkinson's Arab Deception came off at 7-30 this morning, the Australian yielding the weight for class (3 stone) ½ mile. It turned out a hollow affair as was expected. The Arab was never in the race, Champagne, beautifully ridden by his owner (who had some difficulty in getting him to start), winning absurdly easily.

In the evening another dinner was given by the Queen's, to the Visitors who thus had another opportunity of enjoying the music of their splendid band.

On Thursday the cross-country races were for decision, but they unfortunately were very uninteresting from the fact of there being so few entries.

In the first Tommy went over the course alone, as Hanwick would not start and Dandy refused to go on after doing ½ mile. In the second (ponies) Jas had it all his own way and won by a field or two without an effort.

Colonel Morris and the officers 15th Regiment N. I. entertained the Visitors, &c., at dinner this evening, and a most pleasant evening was passed.

Friday morning was decided on to fix the relative merits of Deception and Budmash on more even terms than they met in the Zoroastrian Cup. So a match was made, Budmash allowing 4 lbs for ½ a mile, the weights being 11 stone and 10-10. Deception got the best of the start but did not keep it long as the chestnut soon passed him and won easily, in respectable time, 57 seconds, by a length.

In the evening the match at lawn tennis was played—Nuggur *vs.* Visitors. Here the latter scored their first victory, defeating the local champions after a good fight by 2 games to 1.

It was announced to-day that there would be a 3rd day's racing. The Visitors subscribed a cup valued Rs. 200, while it was found there was sufficient fund for a "Scurry" for ponies and another for Arabs.

There were lotteries to-day on the last day's racing and at night some theatricals at the Queen's Theatre.

At the races on Saturday the Visitors' Cup was won by Chancellor. Tommy fell at starting or would have had a good chance. Budmash and Deception, though entered, keeping themselves for the last race when they were to meet again at the same weights but at a longer distance (¾ mile). The Little Scurry was easily won by Jas, who proved himself to be the best pony at the meeting. For the Scurry Deception was most fancied, though Budmash was not without friends. It proved an excellent race; Budmash, beautifully ridden by Captain Sullivan, landing his stakes by ¾ length, thus proving himself at the distance the best Arab at the meeting.

This concluded a most pleasant week enjoyed by all who had the good luck to be present. The weather favoured us, and though there were slight showers, it did not interfere with the sports. It will be long before the Visitors forget how well they were treated by the residents of Nuggur and especial thanks are due to Mr. Hughes, the honorary secretary, to whose energy and excellent arrangement this great success was principally due.

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POONA ANNUAL REGATTA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, 22ND AUGUST.

The first day of the Regatta is over, and Bombay has beaten Poona easily. The afternoon was very pleasant, cloudy and dry, just the thing for a Regatta. The piece of water by Garden Reach is always pretty, and so are the surroundings generally.

The arrangements were good, as usual, having been managed by the popular and energetic secretary of the P. B. C.

The first race—junior pairs—was won easily by about 3 lengths. The second—first heat senior sculls—was also rather a hollow affair. Horsley lost four or five lengths at the start, but when he settled down he drew ahead and won as he liked. The great race was the Challenge Fours. Bombay clearly rowed Poona down, and won by about six lengths, rowing easy. Poona is not often beaten on its own river, and had their crew had more practice together, they might have made a better race of it. The old system of "trial fours" appears to me better than selecting four men to row shortly before the race. Although it is generally pretty certain who are to be the crew, the grinding in the fours is a good preliminary. As it was, Bombay fairly beat Poona on its merits, and I wish they had received a better ovation when they landed. Poona appeared to be disgusted, and the winning crew was not cheered as it should have been.

The next race was the first heat of the scratch fours. The boats were fairly together at first, after which Donald's boat drew away and won by about three lengths. The next heat of the scratch fours succeeded, and was won by Jackson's boat by a clear length. The boats fouled about half way, but rowed on, and finished the race. One of the boats in this heat, the losing one, refused to take its own side of the river, I hear. The senior pairs were not rowed on this day, one of the oars not being up to time. The result of the Challenge race, is not favourable to Poona, but I hope it will induce Bombay to come up next year, and row us again. Considering that they come from a hot place like Bombay and can't get any ice to cool them withal, they rowed very well indeed—well enough to beat Poona.

May I venture to suggest that there should be a less interval between the heats. It was dark when the last race was rowed, and the crews seemed to be in no hurry to get into their boats.

Colonel Rooms and officers of the 5th N. I. I. very kindly lent their band to play at Garden Reach. All Poona was there.

This afternoon there is a *Matinee Musicale* of the Philharmonic Society at the Council Hall.

You shall hear of the various events as they come off. I write a fresh paragraph to say that the reason why Poona did not make a better race of it was the unfitness of No. 3 in that boat. He had a severe fall at the Hunt Races and injured his side and arm—so much so that it was feared he had broken some ribs. He was supposed to have got all right again, but the hard work in the race disabled him early, and he was little more than a passenger. It is a great pity, for his rowing is good and his pluck undeniable.

The same cause prevented the first heat of the senior sculls being rowed yesterday.

The following is the programme of the races:—

FIRST RACE.—4.30 P.M.

FIRST HEAT.—Junior Pairs. Distance ¼ mile.

Prize Silver Cheroot Case.

1.	st. lbs.	2.	st. lbs.
1. T. Stodd.....	10 13	1. E. W. Dut	10 10
St.—H. C. Jackson ...	11 0	St.—F. S. Inglefield...	12 2
Cox.—H. D. Minchin.	8 5	Cox—H. G. Couran ...	8 8
Colour—Red.		Colour—Yellow.	

SECOND RACE.—5.0 P.M.

FIRST HEAT.—Senior Sculls. Distance one mile.

1.	st. lbs.	2.	st. lbs.
W. H. Horsley	11 6	G. Polsnand	10 5
Colour—Black and Red.		Colour—Yellow.	

THIRD RACE.—5-15 P.M.

Challenge Fours. Distance one mile. Prizes Silver Cups and the Challenge Medals.

BOMBAY BOAT CLUB CREW.	1.	st. lbs.	POONA BOAT CLUB CREW.	2.	st. lbs.
1. E. L. Barton	9	2	1. H. A. Anderson ...	10	11
2. C. Young	11	6	2. R. B. Joyner	10	6
3. M. R. Wyer	11	4	3. W. M. Fletcher ...	11	0
St.—J. R. Croft.....	13	3	St.—E. Giles	13	0
Cox.—E. C. Rich	8	8	Cox—G. F. Herbert...	8	0
Colour—White.			Colour—Crimson.		

FOURTH RACE.—5 30 P.M.

FIRST HEAT.

1.	2.	3.
1. Stevenson.	1. Pochin.	1. Macpherson.
2. Rayner.	2. Adye-Curran.	2. Anson.
3. Inglefield	3. Clarke.	3. Thomas.
St. Donald.	St. Stock.	St. Tyndall.
Miss G. Rogers.	Miss Rogers.	Miss Southey.

SECOND HEAT—6-15 P.M.

1.	2.
1. D. Harrison.	1. Oxenham.
2. Barton.	2. Langtry.
3. Forde.	3. Fryer.
St. Jackson.	St. Anderson.
Miss Aitchison.	Miss Inglis.

BOMBAY.

Sudden Death.—A Coroner's inquest was held on Tuesday at Colaba on view of the body of Gunput Ramjee. Deceased was a driver in the employ of the Bombay Tramway Company, who died somewhat suddenly at the stables. Upon the evidence adduced the following verdict was returned by the jury:—"That the death of the deceased was caused by heart disease."

Inquest.—A Coroner's inquest was held yesterday, at the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, on view of the body of a Goanese, named Baptista Alexio Vaz. The deceased was the nephew of a baker, named Francis DeSouza, and aged twenty years. It was suspected that deceased had died from the effects of some internal injuries he had received by blows inflicted on him by one Josquim and Mariano on the night of the 12th instant in a quarrel which ensued between them at the residence of one Pedro at Colbhat. The medical evidence went to show that the deceased was admitted into the hospital on the morning of the 19th instant, suffering from symptoms of remittent fever and pneumonia. He was accordingly treated, but became worse and died at 3 a. m. on the 23rd instant. The *post mortem* examination of the body went to show that the cause of death was pleural pneumonia of the right side. There was no evidence of the deceased having suffered from violence either on his admission into the hospital or after his death. The jury thereupon returned the following verdict:—"That the death of the deceased was caused by pneumonia."

"Codigo Epistolar ou Nocões sobre o Modo de escrever todo o Genero das Cartas."—We have been favoured with a copy of a pamphlet in Portuguese, printed at Furtado's Library in Bombay, on letter writing. It introduces the reader with brief observations to the manner of writing and the materials to be used in correspondence. A complete form of addresses to all civil, ecclesiastical and military personages has been set down, with suggestive remarks how to begin and close a letter when directed to any one of the above-mentioned dignitaries. The specimens of letters and answers are numerous, and the varied subjects on which they are written make it highly interesting and useful to all those who wish to distinguish themselves in epistolary correspondence. The embodiment of the several forms of invitation, drafts, receipts, promissory notes, power of attorney, and a table of pay from Re. 1 to 100 widens the sphere of usefulness of this little volume. The book comes very opportunely to supply a want which was keenly felt by the Portuguese community, and the nominal price at which it is sold, places it within the reach of everybody without difference to means. It is neatly got up, and its portable size, with the simple yet elegant language in which the sentences are couched, carry an additional claim of recommendation independently of what we may urge on its behalf by inviting the attention of that section of the community for which it is intended.

A Daring Fraud by Hindoo Servants of a Native Firm.—Information was given to the police by Mr. Purboodass Succeedass, a wealthy Hindoo merchant residing in the Fort, that two of his servants, named Mottee Moojun and Mooljee Ramjee, were both implicated in making away with a sum of Rs. 13,104, which was entrusted to the first accused, Mottee Moojun, on Monday last, the 21st instant, by the mehta of the complainant, named Sujunlall Narrottum, in order to pay the amount over on behalf of the complainant's firm to a firm at Mombadavie. The two accused, Mottee and Mooljee, were arrested by the police the same day, and the man Mottee said that he received the amount from the mehta for the purpose above stated, and on his way to the firm at Mombadavie he met the second accused, Mooljee Ramjee, to whom he handed the bundle containing the amount, and that they both together were proceeding along the road to Mombadavie when they suddenly met two others—namely, one Bulwuntrao and one Khunderao, both acquaintances of theirs, and in course of conversation, the heavy bundle containing the aforesaid sum was handed over either to Bulwuntrao or Khunderao to be conveyed in their company to Mombadavie. In the meantime while they were (all four) going together Bulwuntrao and Khunderao appear to have slipped away through some of the bylanes with the bundle containing the money and cannot be found. The other man, Mooljee Ramjee, corroborated the statement made by Mottee Moojun, the first accused. The matter was handed over to the detectives. Upon enquiry they discovered yesterday that Rs. 320 was handed over by the two accused on Monday last to a man, named Govind Poonja, for safe custody. As the matter stands it is strongly suspected that these two men, Mottee and Mooljee, have both contrived to make away with the amount, and are fully aware as to where it is secreted. Further enquiries by the detective police are in progress.

We are very glad indeed to learn that Sir Cowasjee Jehanghier has recovered from his recent severe illness.—*Deccan Herald.*

Dacoity.—The Judges of the High Court of Bombay (on a reference from Mr. Newnham, Session Judge at Poona, who differed from the jury in the case) have found Ramjee bin Vittoo guilty of dacoity at the village of Dingoor, and sentenced him to five years' rigorous imprisonment. Sewram bin Vittoo has been ordered to be discharged by the decree of the Court.—*Id.*

FALL OF RAIN IN BOMBAY.

	Byculla. In. cts.	Fort. In. cts.	Colaba In. cts
Wednesday, 23rd Aug. (up to 6 a.m.).	0 44	0 14	0 01
Previously registered	42 61	37 83	38 14
Total up to date ...	43 05	37 97	38 15

MADRAS UNITED SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY.

An extraordinary general meeting of shareholders of the company was held yesterday at its registered office, 3 Church Lane, for the purpose of confirming certain resolutions which were passed at a meeting held on the 8th instant.

mscy. In his opinion the only words that could settle the matter were spoken by artillery and rifles. In consequence of the peace which had prevailed in Servia itself for the last few years it might have been supposed that the patriotism of the people had, if not died out, grown so cold that it could not be fanned into a patriotic flame. The events of the moment showed that any such supposition would have been a mistake. The whole of the Servian people was of one mind and heart in the struggle, and great were the sacrifices which they were voluntarily making. As, no doubt, was known to me, the army of Servia was a militia. The men who composed it were following their occupations; they were the fathers of families, and had their wives and children to think of, and yet they had come forward from one end of the country to the other at the call of patriotism, and were ready to lay down their lives for what they regarded as a sacred cause. Servia had made no call on any other country to give or lend her money for this war. She was subscribing money and supplying men herself. He had every confidence that he should be victorious. He did not think the Turks would be afforded an opportunity of marching through this country, but in any case the spirit of patriotism would never be extinguished in Servia, and she would rise again and again if necessary in assertion of the rights for which she was now fighting. The Prince concluded this part of the conversation by saying that he thought he observed on the part of England and some other countries a sympathy with the Christians suffering under Mussulman rule, which had not been exhibited until now. This indicated an opinion that the want of confidence shown by their population in the promises of Turkish reforms was not to be wondered at.

The Prince spoke with remarkable volubility and earnestness. Occasionally he was exceedingly animated, especially in those sentences in which he spoke of the patriotism of the people and their sacrifices in the present struggle. He scarcely raised his head as he spoke, except when his words took the form of a question to me, and when he proceeded to answer it. He wore the undress uniform of a General of his own Army a brown jacket with a gold star on his collar, blue trousers, with red stripes down the sides, and Hessian boots with large spurs On his left breast was a large star of I don't know what order. Subsequently, in answer to my inquiries, his Highness was good enough to tell me the present position of the various Divisions of his army. He mentioned also that whenever they were beyond the frontier, and his Government had not the control of the telegraph, the news was very slow in reaching him—so much so, that sometimes it takes three or four days to come even as far as here. He believes, also, that there are innumerable spies from the Turkish side at present in Servia. Such persons, he said, would be shot on the spot whenever discovered.

THE RAJPUT STATES OF INDIA.

(*Edinburgh Review* for July.)

ART. VII.—1. *The Native Princes and States of India.* By Lieutenant-Colonel Malleson, Resident at Mysore. 8vo. London: 1875.

2. *India and its Native Princes.* By Louis Rousselet. English edition. London: 1875.

(Concluded from yesterday's "Bombay Gazette.")

It must not be inferred from what we have written above that the political organism of the ruling clan prevails with equal integrity in all the Rajput States. It is least damaged in the Western and Northern States, which are held by the clans of the Kuchwahas, the Rathores, and the Sesodias; but even in these States the organism is, as we have shown, much overlaid by feudal growth, the state of incessant war having prominently developed the obligations of military service in return for protection, and the practice of building isolated strongholds. But this feudalism is of no earlier growth, for the most part, than the last century, and nowhere has the system become entirely feudal; that is, nowhere has military tenure obliterated altogether the original tenure by blood and birthright of the clan; although there are some few estates held entirely as assignments for service, by families not belonging to any Rajput clan. As the tribal chief is kept in order by his powerful kinsmen, so the overgrown kinsman has to reckon with his brotherhood. The only class that can be taxed or trodden upon in real feudal fashion is the alien peasantry; but even here the cultivator is so valuable that he must not be driven away. In the South-Eastern Rajput States, which were most exposed to the disintegrating ravages of the Moghul and Maratha, the tribal organisation has been much effaced politically, and the chief has centralised his power and acquired almost complete jurisdiction over the whole of his territory. So that whereas in the north and west a ruling chief could not break through the compact front which his clansmen would at once oppose to any serious political encroachment, and has a dubious jurisdiction within the domains of his leading kinsmen, in the south a chief rules a State more or less under his own administrative orders, and a population of which his own clansmen form but a small part. In a State of this kind, indeed, the chief families are decaying into a French noblesse of the eighteenth century, living on the rents and fees of manors assigned to them for maintenance; a distinct class with right to appear on all state occasions and to be provided for upon the lands, but having no independent strength or separate following, while the ruler is gradually centralising all power. It is manifest that these States have long been sliding into the normal type of ordinary oriental government, irresponsible personal despotism; and these are precisely the States which were nearest to the brink of destruction when the English interposed in 1817. In this late stage of the decay of the tribal system, when a Rajput chief has managed to cut away all round himself the power and independence of his kinsmen, the State topples over at the first vigorous push like any other ephemeral Asiatic principality. It is a sound political as well as mechanical truth that you can have no real support without resistance, or the capacity to resist.

We may conjecture that primogeniture, as a rule of political succession, was born out of a combination between expediency and the right of blood. To have any settled political existence a tribe wants a leader, but as that leader must be of the purest blood of the founder of the tribal dominion, the choice is restricted to founder's kin. Among these the candidate most likely to unite the two desiderata, purity of blood and influence in the society, is the eldest son of the last ruler; and thus may come to be formed the rule of primogeniture, always subject to qualification for the office, which seems to have usually governed succession to tribal States in Rajputana. The advantages of primogeniture as the first step towards political amalgamation may be measured by observing that in one or two very peculiar tracts of Rajputana, where the rule has never got established, the steps have never been able to build up any political system at all. On the western border of Rajputana is a tract called Mullanee, nominally within the territory of the Chief of Jodhpoor. It is possessed by a sept which claims descent, every man of them, from the divinised ancestor of the whole Rathore clan, by a line earlier and more direct than that of the Jodhpoor Chief himself, the acknowledged political head of the Rathore clan. According to primitive ideas this superior lineage gives a sort of right to demur at discretion to the Jodhpoor Chief's authority, and the sept being wild borderers, fond of feuds and forays, any good pretext for demurring to established authority is heartily welcome. But the peculiarity of this sept is that though it descends from one stock, it has no Chief of its own; it is made up of a number of distinct family groups, each separate and independent under its head. And the land is not only parcelled off among these groups, but there goes on a constant struggle between the ordinary rule of Hindu succession to property, which divides off the land among the sons at each succession, and the instinct of political expediency which inclines towards primogeniture. The ordinary outcome of this struggle is a sort of inchoate primogeniture, allotting a larger portion of the family lands and superior authority to the elder heir of the chief family in a group. But the blood feud, family and faction fights, and general anarchy caused by these chronic quarrels over the land are incessant, and have totally prevented any political consolidation of the sept into a State. The whole tract would long ago have been incorporated quietly into the Jodhpoor State, to which it does nominally belong, had it not been an outlying country, full of hardy caterans not easily tamed. There is also at the north-east of Rajputana another tract in a very similar condition, within the territory of the Chief of Jeypoor, but peopled by a sept of latter clan, which pays very unpunctually the allegiance it owes him. Here again this sept consists of the descendants of a son of an ancient chief of the main stock of the clan, who went forth and conquered this tract on his own score and private venture. They have never formed a State under one tribal leader; primogeniture, exists, but as a rare exception to the general rule; and they still continue in the molecular condition of an uncertain federation of family groups of different magnitudes, usually dividing and subdividing the land down to the point consistent with some kind of cohesion for self protection and the recognition of a head to each family. These groups seem to represent the fluid unconsolidated stage of tribal aggregations, before they have begun to crystallise round an acknowledged head, and to harden into political shape. And latterly their consolidation has been greatly hindered by the policy of the chiefs of Jodhpoor and Jeypoor, who being unable to control these unruly communities became alarmed lest they should unite under one head and become formidable independent rivals. With much the same motive as that which, according to Sir H. Maine, induced the English to gravel the lands of the Irish Papists and make them descendible to all the children alike, the Jeypoor chiefs exerted their influence to push forward among the refractory sept the custom of equal division of the land among males on each succession; using it as a wedge to split up the groups as they began to form. Under this impetus each field has in some villages been repeatedly parcelled off into lots of heritage; and as no real central authority has been imposed in this tract, the interminable blood-letting over these landmarks has effectively kept down the strength of the sept, and prevented political amalgamation.

Marriage plays so important a part both in the political and social systems of the Rajputs that some brief description of it is essential. The invariable custom is to use the term introduced by Mr. J. F. McLennan, that of exogamy, or the custom which prohibits intermarriage within the clan, so that every clan depends, for wives, upon the other clans; for of course no Rajput can take a wife elsewhere than from Rajputs. Thus a Rathore clansman, for instance, could never wed a woman from the most distant sept that bears the Rathore name; if he does, the children are certainly not pure Rathores, whatever else they may become. This custom is very widespread and well known all over Asia; but the Mahomedan law (of which one peculiar effect is to break up the archaic tables of prohibited degrees) has very largely obliterated it, and now exogamy could hardly be better exemplified than in Rajputana, where we can trace it directly and palpably back to its source in the assumption that the whole of a great clan scattered over many distant parts of a large country are blood relations. Here, as wherever exogamy prevails, marriage by abduction of the bride from her home universally in form, wherever it has decayed in fact; and the ceremony may be witnessed in great perfection at any marriage in high life, when the bridegroom arrives with his wedding band of armed kinsmen, who clash their arms and rush in with a shout upon the bride's party. It can be easily understood that exogamy has always operated to stimulate jealousies and heart-burnings between clans, and to make the taking of a wife a still more troublesome and perilous business than even in civilised life. For it leaves the supply of wives in the hands of a neighbouring clan, always jealous, and often at open feud, who may suddenly refuse to give their daughters, as in the famous story in the Book of Judges of the war between Israel and Benjamin. Disputes over brides and betrothals have been important in Rajput history; and the observer begins to understand the enormous part played by such matters in all primitive time. In Europe from the days of Helen of Troy down to those of La Cava in Spain, we find a woman mixed up with the great tribal invasions. Socially the exogamous custom makes marriage difficult by narrowing the field of selection, for a man cannot go very far among strange tribes to seek his wife, nor a father to seek a husband; so that a poor man often does not marry at all, while a rich man of high birth who can maintain a number of wives is besieged with application for his hand, in order that the stigma of an unmarried daughter may at least be formally removed. And if there were space here, we might give some curious facts to show how this difficulty of marriage has been one cause of that constant *morcellement*, or splitting up into isolated groups, the larger group into smaller ones, which is a radical law of the dynamics which govern the construction of primitive societies. In the old war times many companions of Rajputs took service with the emperors in their distant expeditions to the frontiers, and were placed under their own leader in charge of the distant border forts. They settled on the lands close round these forts, became the hereditary garrison; and their descendants may be found occupying the ruined enclosure to this day. But as these military colonists often could not, by reason of distance and the dangers of travel, obtain wives from the legitimate clans, they sometimes took strange wives in the country of their adoption, and sometimes intermarried amongst themselves. In the former case they unwillingly founded a new sub-caste; in the latter they cut themselves off from the parent clan, and became a separate impure clan, with internal subdivisions. Then again the disintegrating effect of sectarianism among the Rajputs must at one time have been great; for there are in Rajputana many distinct castes who are of pure Rajput origin but were detached many generations ago by following a peculiar religious movement. When a Rajput turns aside after the new light shown by one of the spiritual teachers who are incessantly arising in Hindostan, and completely adopts a new faith or ritual, he exchanges a tribe for a caste. And it appears (though the subject is very obscure) that whereas his tribal bond of consanguinity extended round his whole clan, in the caste his kinship is at once narrowed down to that section of the great caste group which was originally Rajput. The most famous sect in Rajputana holds within its pale no less than 1,444 distinct groups; all apparently formed by this process of partial accretion, intermarrying one with another, but never within themselves. In this instance, so far as can be learnt, all this spreading reticulation of spiritual relationship has grown out of the original following after a single revivalist who appeared only four centuries ago. There is also in Rajputana a very curious fraternity of warlike devotees claiming to be founded by a Rajpoot who seems to have been a kind of fighting ascetic, disdaining any other garments save shield and sword belt; and these men, being vowed to strict celibacy, recruit their ranks by adoption, purchase, or abduction of children. The orphanage of India for males is very commonly a religious order.

Then there are of course assignments of lands to temples and religious bodies, which give nearly as much trouble to Rajput chiefs as ever churches and monastic orders did to mediæval European princes. It is difficult to deal with a holy man whose disciples are ready to bury themselves alive if the Government puts pressure on their master for land taxes, and thus to bring down a curse upon the whole administration. This is the Hindu method of excommunication, very effective still in Rajputana, and to be faced with impunity by the most powerful chief, the best known remedy being to negotiate a private arrangement with some influential Sadaam, whereby curses are suddenly turned into blessings.

The institution of fosterage of course flourishes among communities so distinctively of the primitive Aryan type as the Rajputs. And though the foster family of a chief is never of the Rajput clan, but belongs almost always to some particular family of a well-known pastoral tribe, yet the foster brothers often attain much influence and position at his court; and the family has a recognised hereditary status of 'kinship by the milk.'

After this manner, therefore, does the cross of blood, the change of faith, or other variation from ancestral custom, continually operate to cut off the diverging family from the parent species, which is kept pure through this careful pruning away of irregular offshoots. And thus the pure Rajput clans are those great kindred groups which have kept immaculate the rules and conditions of exogamic connubium throughout the genealogy of their tribal tree in all its branches, every family showing its pedigree leading back to some branch, however insignificant, which springs out of the original stem and root of the tribe. This is the real aristocracy of India, with which every Hindu dynasty and family of influence or new wealth (except Brahmins) tries to find, beg, or buy a connexion, from the petty Indo-Aryan chief of the Central Indian woodlands up to the greatest Maratha ruler, the kings of Nepaul, and the half-Chinese princes on the far north-eastern frontiers of India and Burma.

We have left ourselves no space to describe any class of the population of Rajputana besides the Rajputs, or much might have been said of the enterprising commercial class, with its leading bankers, who made their headquarters in the fenced cities of Jodhpoor and Bikanir—oases in the desert which marauding bands could not reach—and who conducted exchange operations all over India in the midst of the anarchy of the eighteenth century. There is much vague talk about the English *regime* in India being the paradise of money-makers; but the great bankers of Upper India with one accord look back regretfully from these lovelling times of railway and telegraph to the golden days of immense profits upon daring ventures, when swift runners brought early secret news of a decisive battle, or a great military leader offered any terms for a loan which would pay his mutinous troops.* In those times a man whose bills were duly cashed in every camp and court of the Northern Provinces had often to remit specie at all hazards, and the best swords of Rajputana were at the service of the longest purse. A tremendous insurance policy was paid to some petty chief or captain of banditti, who undertook by hook or crook to cut his way across country and deposit the treasure at its appointed place. Something might also have been said of the curious religious sects and divinities of Rajputana, and much of the non-Aryan tribes. But this is merely a political sketch of institutions that are interesting not only by their past history, but by the speculations which are suggested as to the transmutations which await them. Change three institutions most, and rapidly; for under the weighty pressure of the English empire everywhere we see the old order changing, giving place to new, because the English rule is itself such an entire alteration of political circumstances in India. The future of these States is a question well worth the deepest consideration of those who guide the policy of our empire; for, as we began by saying, these States contain the only ancient institutions in India which have shown stability and are worthy of free men. Every other indigenous experiment at political development in India has broken down; for the last eight centuries there have been none except ephemeral tyrannies—a hopelessly sterile species. The Rajput States, in spite of all their defects, stand out in marked contrast against the indigenous despotisms which we overturned, and which are still cropping up elsewhere throughout India, or against the Moghul empire at its best. Our modern notions are apt to make us too readily disgusted and disheartened with turbulent nobles, a weak central administration, a bad police, and a general indifference to the great civilising watchwords of order and progress. Each ruling chief, in proportion to his dexterity or ambition, attempts to enlist these notions on his own side against his nobles. Now that he no longer needs the support of a powerful kinsfolk against external enemies, he feels their restraint upon his internal authority. They help him neither in the field nor in the cabinet, for there is no such usage as would necessitate an assembly of the notables and the minor chiefs often live apart in their forts, hating and hated by the supple ministers who advise their ruler, who are of another caste altogether, and whose interests are entirely absolutist. It is easy to see that the tendency of modern officialism would be to strengthen the sovereign against his nobles. We have the same feeling of impatience with these troublesome half barbarous communities that prompted, and still prompts, many able men to rejoice at the crushing out of the Polish kingdom, with its quarrelsome diet and unreasonable assemblage of tumultuous nobles. Military rules in Europe, and experienced European officials in India, declare that order and a strong centralised government is the one thing needful. So it is; but we must give hardy plants time to grow. It is certain that these Rajput societies held together by all the cumbrous bonds and stays of a primitive organism, present far more promising elements of future development than even strong and well-ordered despotisms of the normal Asiatic type, where a mixed multitude is merely under the sway of one ruler, however able, who degrades or dignifies at his will. But anyone contrast the account which we have here given of Rajput institutions with the descriptions which Bernier (an excellent observer, and a subject of Louis Quatorze) gives of society in the seventeenth century under the Moghul empire, when it was still flourishing like a green bay-tree.† Nor is there any ground for hoping that we are likely soon to see in any native Indian State a race of princes so able as the descendants of Baber, or that European education, and tutorial superintendence by English officers will train a generation of wise and benevolent Rajahs and Nawabs. On the contrary, the princes of India seem to deteriorate under the listless security produced by our protection, by the absence of personal danger, and above all by relief from the fear of annexation. The surroundings are too strong for artificial training; when a youth is set up securely as a golden image of wealth and power, he must go wrong as a ruler if there is nothing to stop him but an English political officer. In Rajputana there do actually exist, more or less dilapidated, the natural institutions which, in various forms and stages, have checked and graduated the power of sovereigns all over the world. The incessant bickering and contests between encroaching chief and jealous kinsmen, the weak central power, the divided jurisdictions, the obstinacy with which a man of high birth insists on the proper punctilio to be reciprocated between himself and his chief—all these are the tokens of free society in the rough. To make haste to help the chief to increase the power of his turbulent and reactionary nobles, in order that he may establish police and a uniform administration over his whole territory, is to an Englishman at first sight an obvious duty, at the second look a dangerous undertaking. If these rough-hewn obstructions are quickly under the orders of a central government are once smoothed away they will assuredly never be set up again; and as there is nothing that could take their place, the tribal chieftain will have converted himself into a petty autocrat, responsible for his doings only to the paramount power which sustains him. Now the protected autocrat in a native Indian State has not as yet turned out such a success that the English nation can feel proud of having brought him out upon the political stage. So it will be wise to have patience with the wild ways of Rajputana as long as we can, to abstain as much as possible from interference, and to maintain, so far as we do interfere, the equilibrium of weight between chief and nobles, until it can be adjusted by the light of improved intelligence and education on each succession.

Whether such a time will ever arrive is an open question with some who, like the Comte Gobineau ‡ affirm that the civilisation of Europe never has taken, and never will take, root among the old races of Asia. And, looking to the present social condition of the Rajpoot clans, it is to be feared that they are declining fast in vigour and in numbers. It may be possible, indeed, that throughout all Asia the warlike tribes are decaying under the spread of European dominion, which seems to be favourable only to the prosperity of the industrial races, the soft weak populations which swarm in the tropical regions. But these races have no real political future, and only damage free institutions by burlesques that we shall some day be sometimes tried and ashamed of bringing out under the patronage of her Majesty the Queen. If it be true, therefore, that a more polished and reasonable despotism is the only political improvement that Europeans are likely to introduce into India, then no sacrifice of modern ideas of uniformity is too great for the object of preserving as long as possible in the Rajput countries these last relics of institutions which have elsewhere proved fruitful in their development of some real advantages to political well-being. It must be confessed that the oriental system appears occasionally to stand right in the path of reforms which to a European appear of prime and peremptory necessity. The system would fall in a few years before an efficient State army, or even a strong police, in the hands of an able and ambitious chief; it would be ground to atoms under the regular mechanism of effective law courts after the Anglo-Indian model. The chicane of half-civilised *avocasserie*—that bane of all British India—would make short work of all these vague rights